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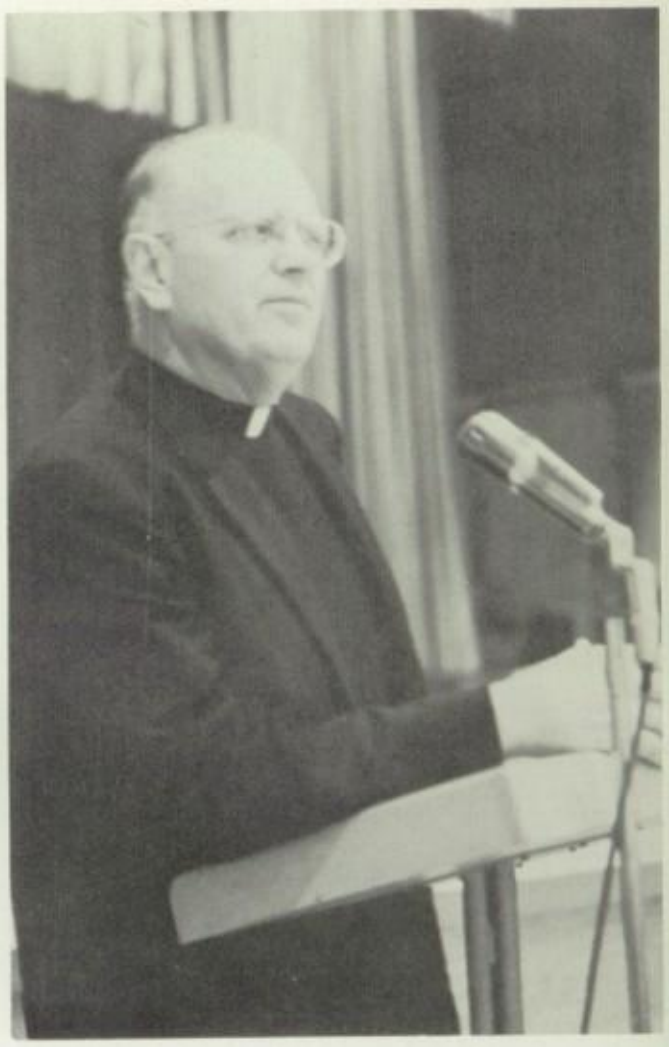
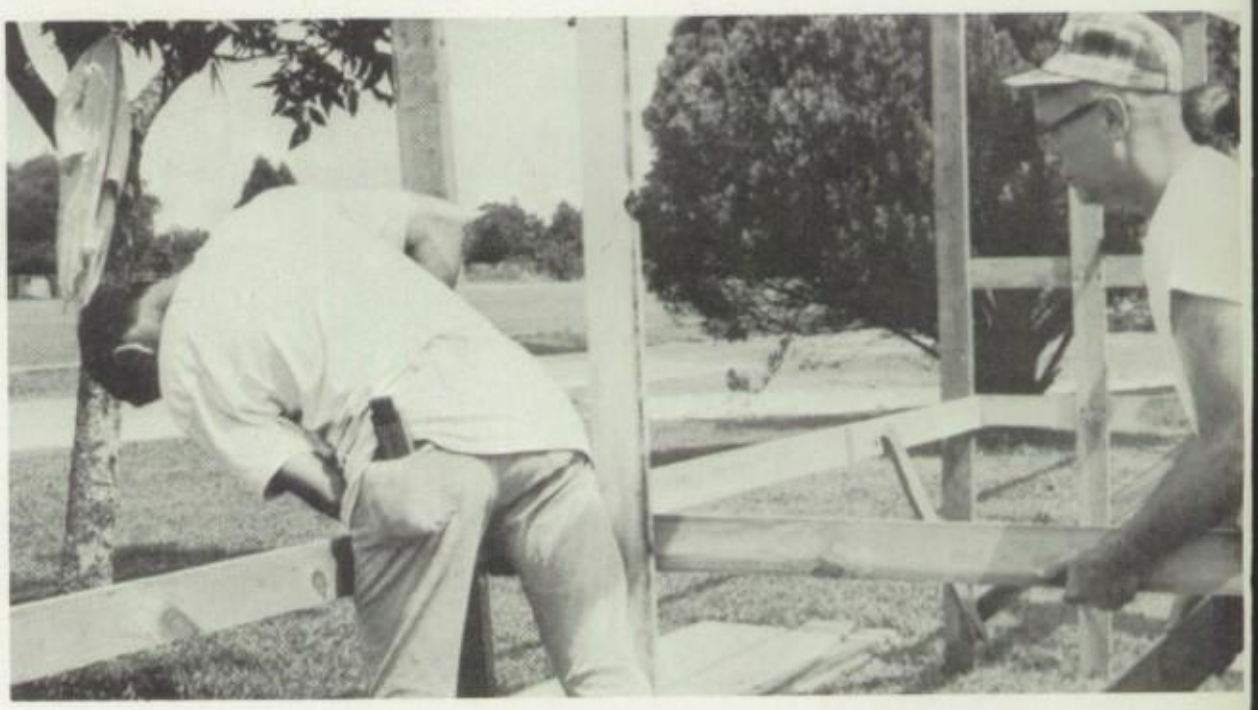
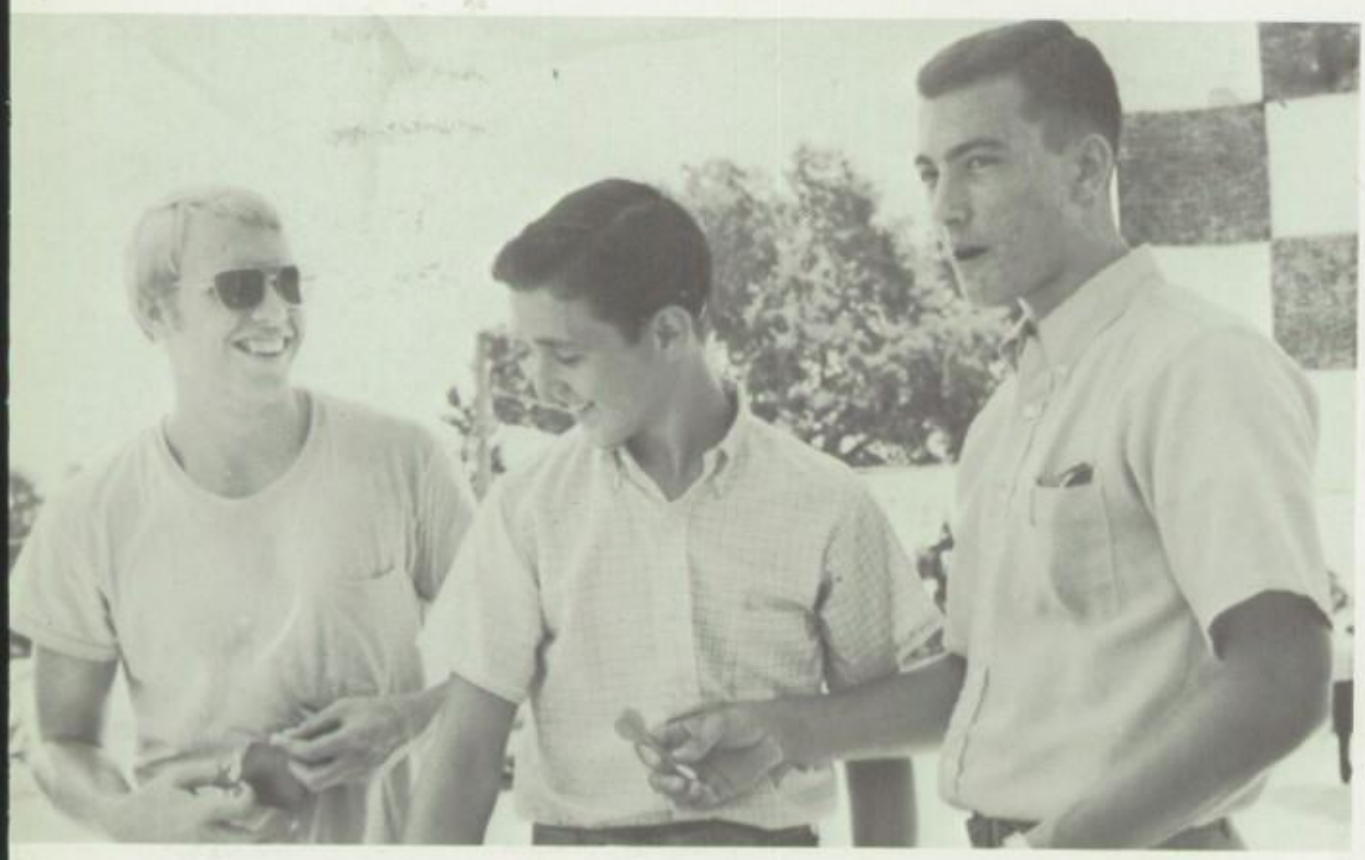
Familiar faces,
Laughter, work and weary feet;
This is our bazaar.



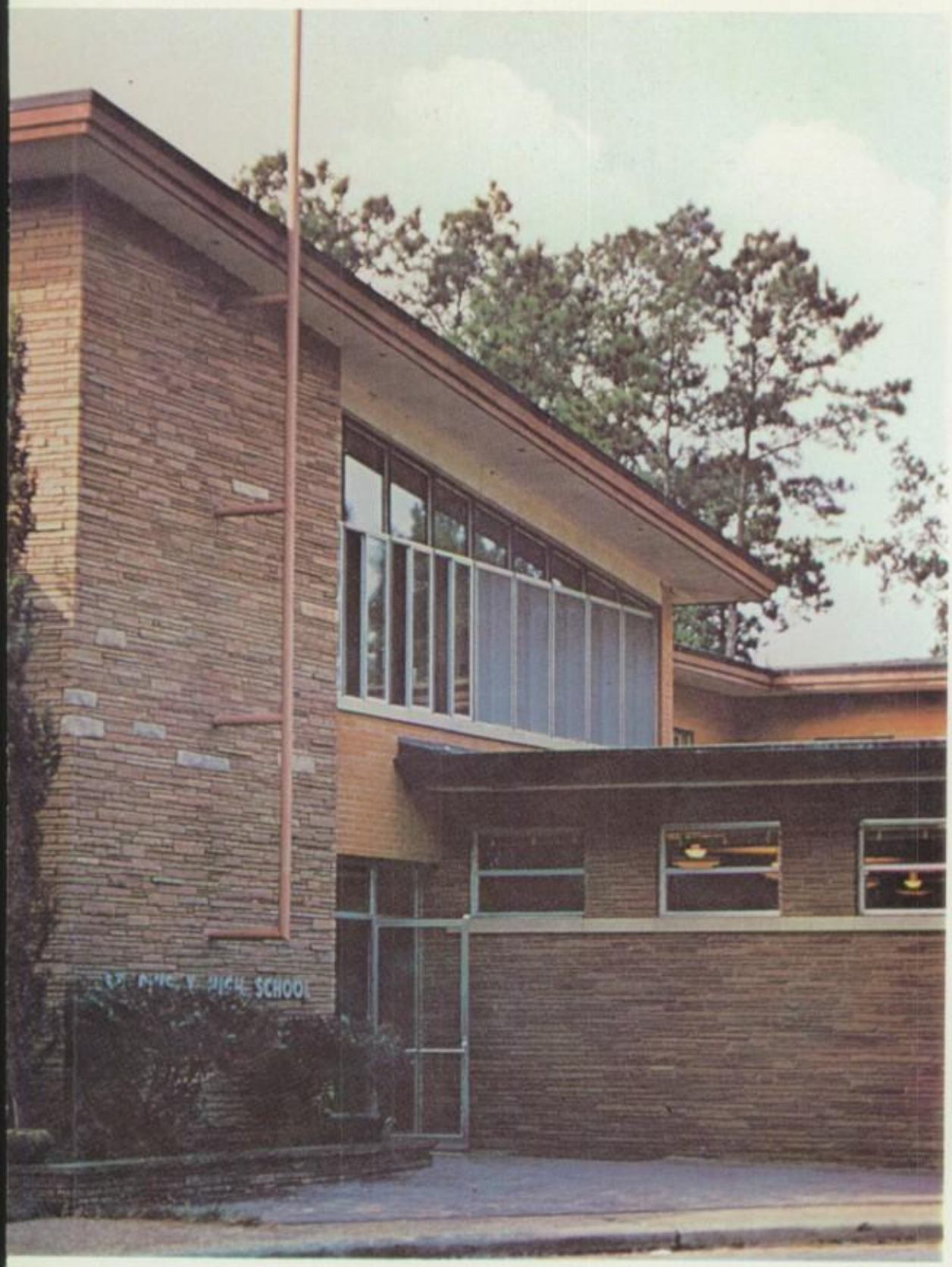


Optimistic views taken by Mr. Gentry, Mr. Collier and Sr. Dorothy on the results of the bazaar.

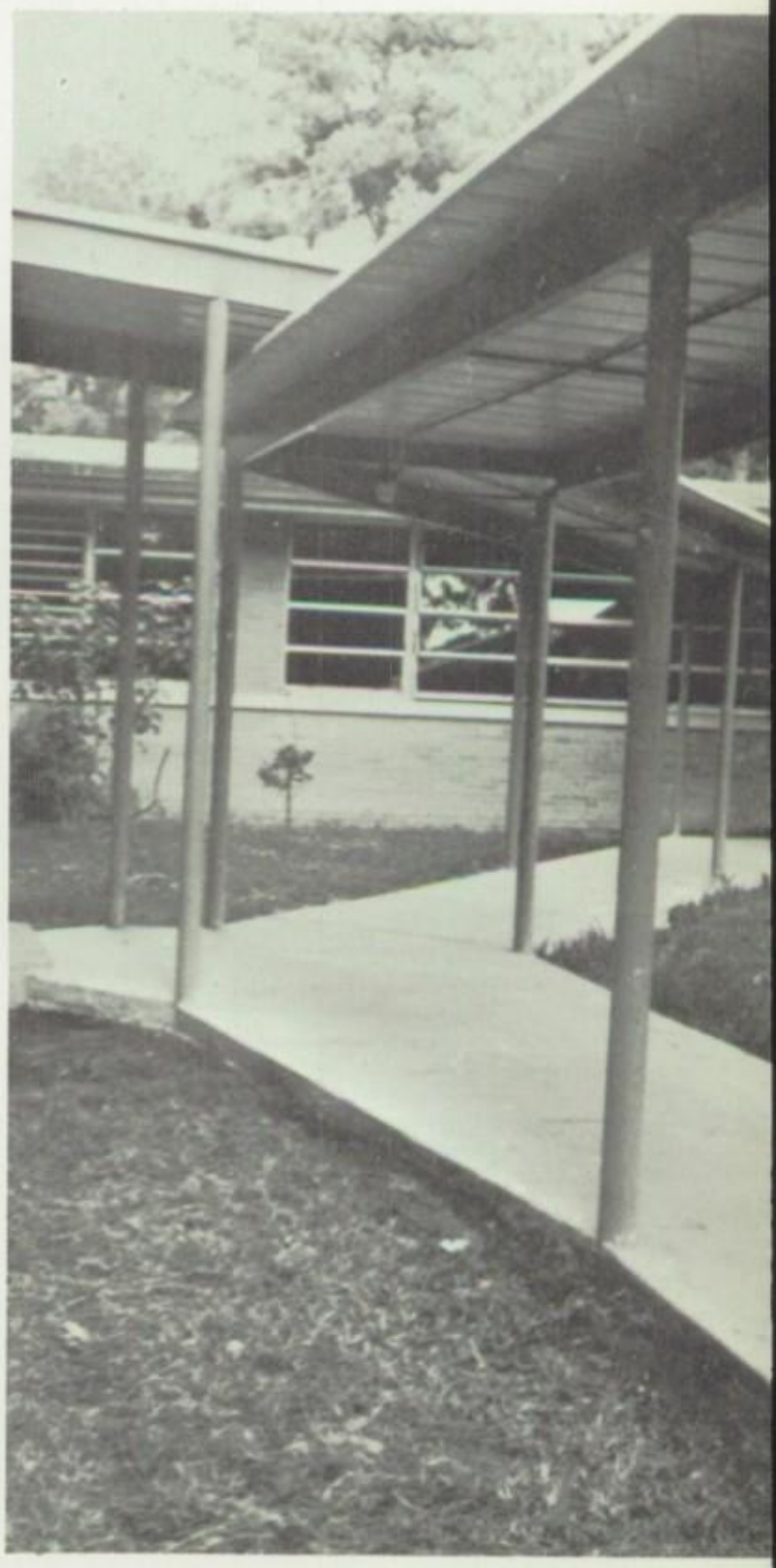


Hard work and many laborious hours produced lots of tired people, a fun day for all, and money to run the school.

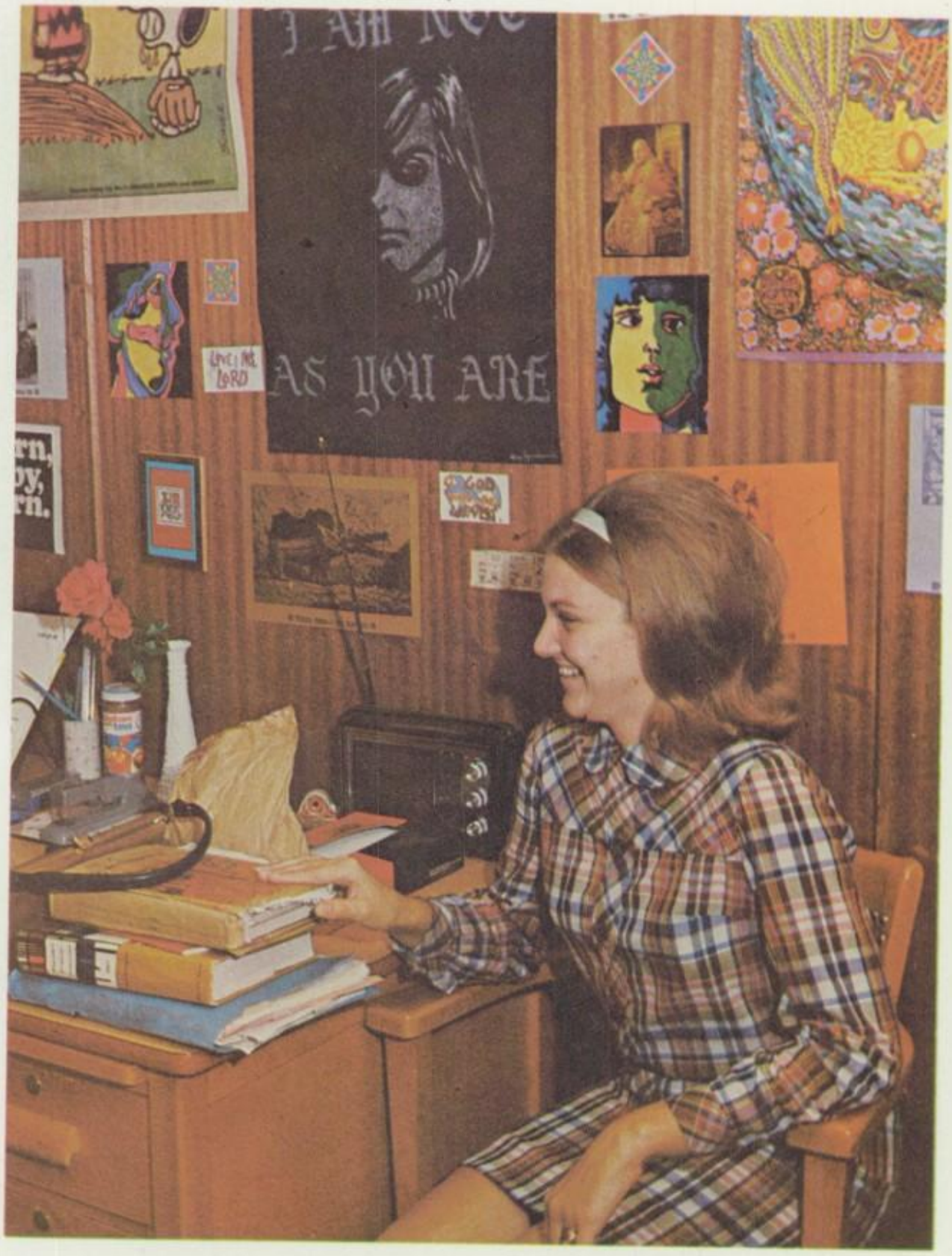
These places seldom vacant play roles
in the lives of those who come . . .



They share our memories . . . good and bad . . . happy and sad.



We were talking . . . about these places and the people who make them what they are . . .

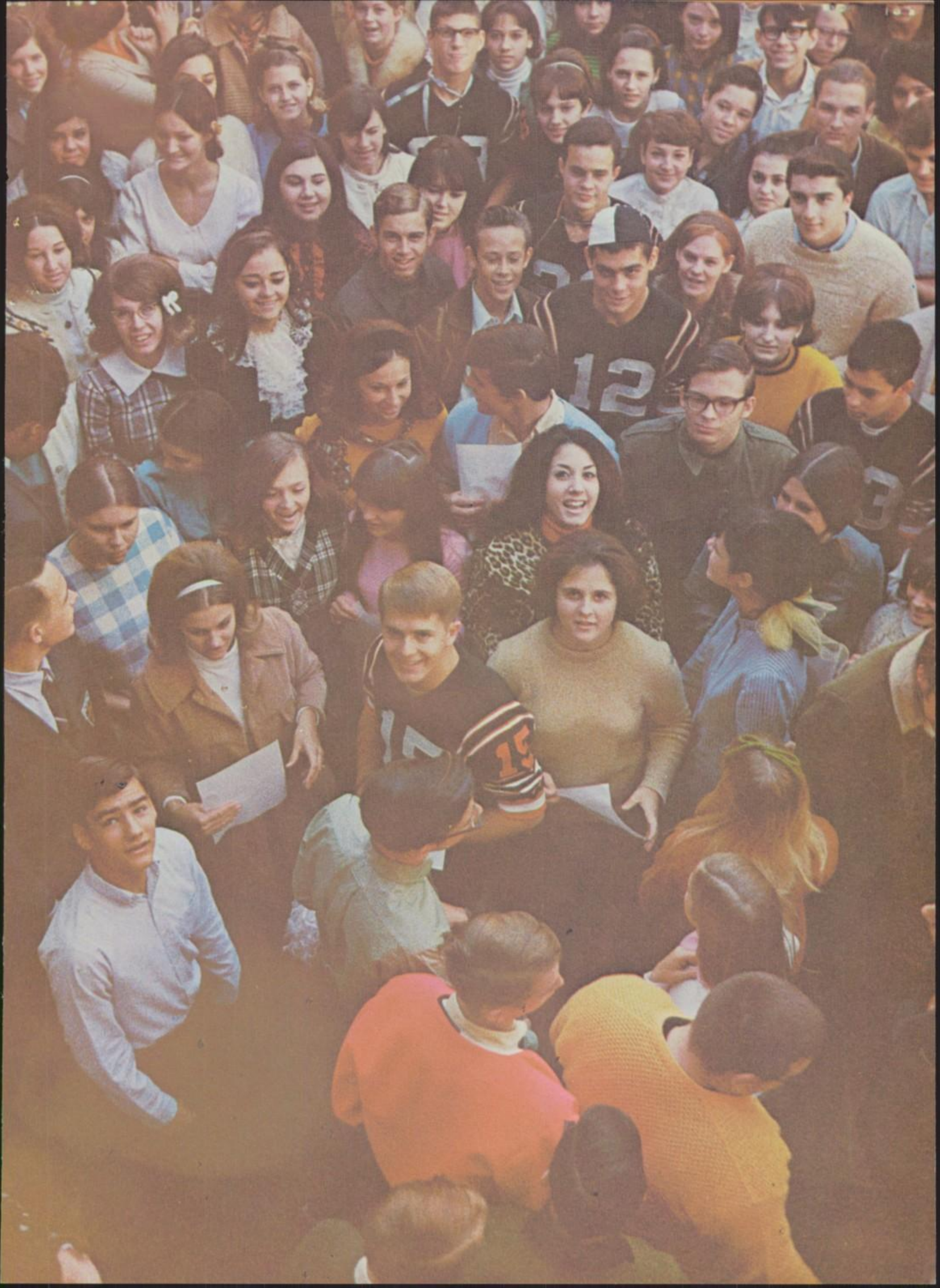


. . . about what happens here; the people we meet . . .

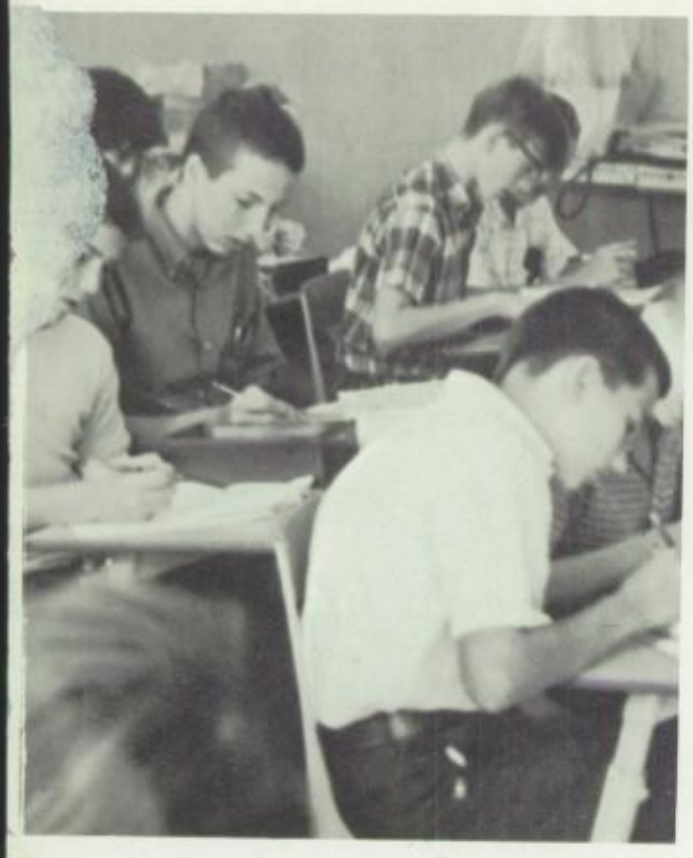
The voices we hear . . . the voices we don't hear . . .

The things we do . . . and why.

There were people to meet, games to play, wars to win and books to carry . . .



Problems to solve, experiments to work, words to type, thoughts to think . . .



this is what made our year.

Administration

Man teaches man the
Hows, whats, whens of life
Man must put man's life to use.
—Marietta Diehl

School Board

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Mr. Pat Collier

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Mrs. Charles Ivy

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Mr. Tom Simpson

Second Vice-President:
Mr. Gus Sivcoski

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Mr. Frank Sofka

Parliamentarian:
Mrs. A. M. Bancroft

Sister Angela:
Business Administrator.

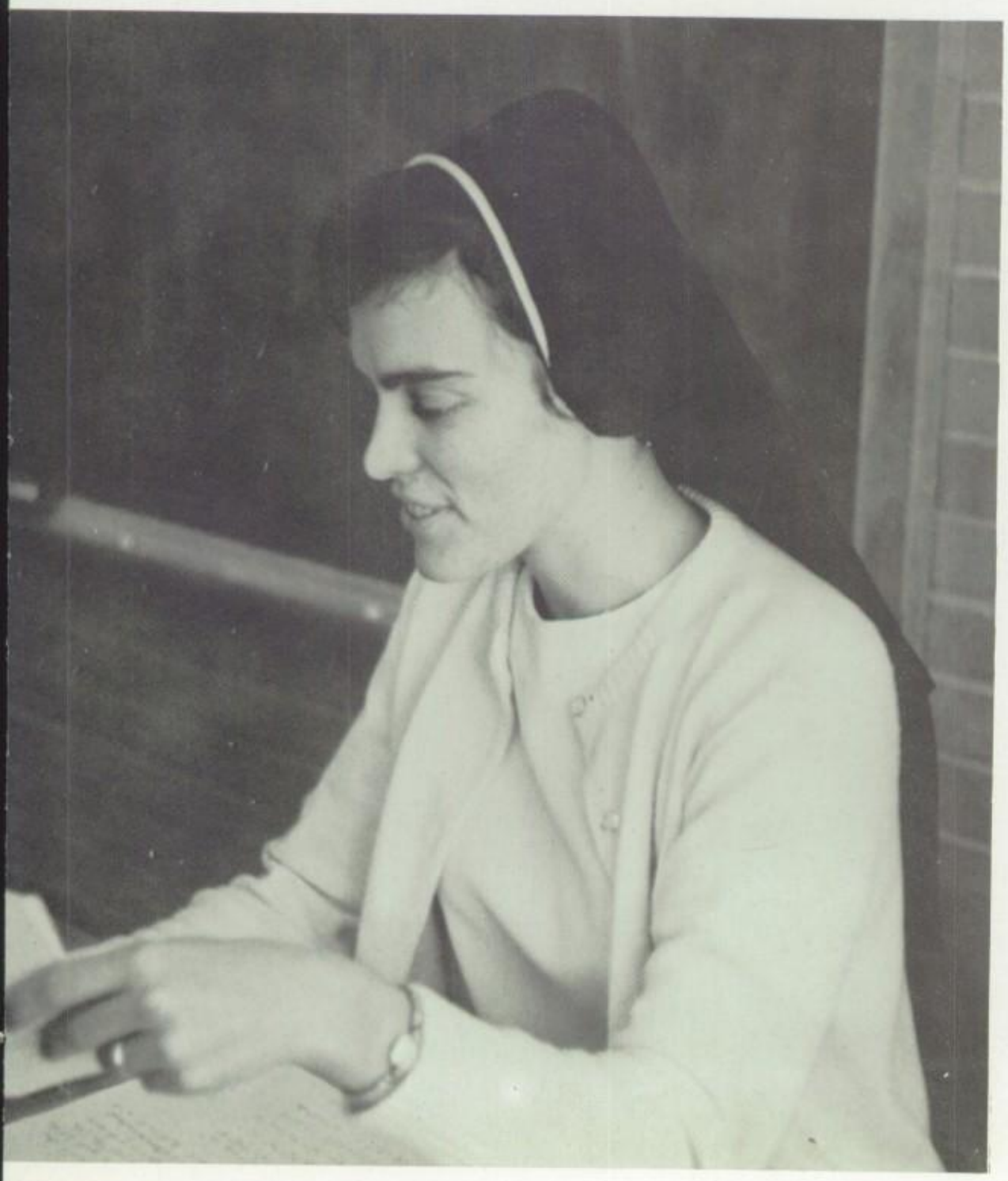
Sister Phyllis:
Registrar

Mrs. Hetherington:
Secretary.

Sister Regis:
Assistant Principal.

Sister Regis
Senior Class Dean

Sister Denise
Junior Class Dean



Deans

They have a difficult job these class deans. Each must ride herd on about 125 energetic students who are full of beautiful plans and ideas. There is a very fine line which these four sisters must observe between gentle guidance and over-domination. Students must be allowed the widest possible scope of freedom, but when their ideas have hidden pitfalls, the deans must point these out. It is a delicate and often thankless task which sometimes gains for them such dubious titles as "Wet Blanket" and "Party Pooper". Yet it is a necessary task and one which this year's deans have done their best to perform well.

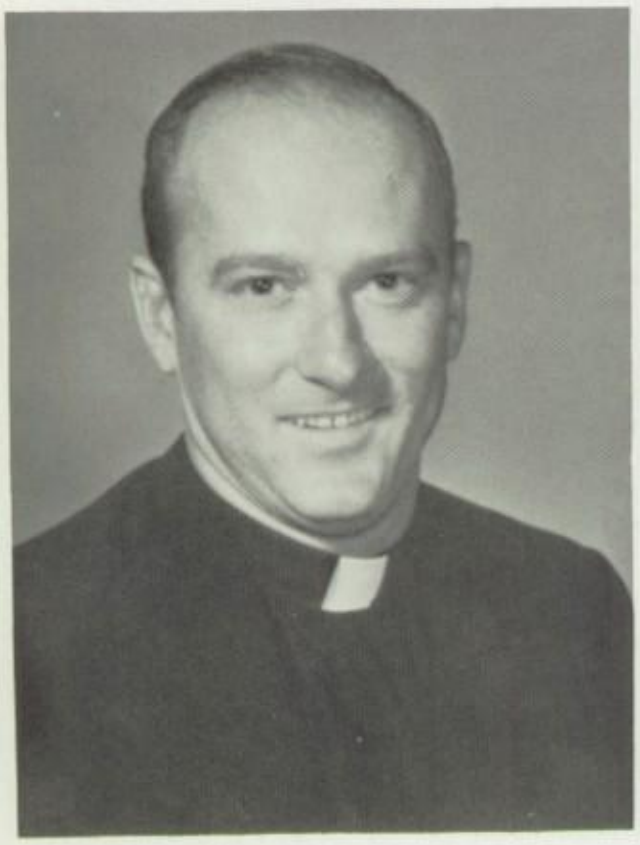
Sister Annunciata
Sophomore Class Dean

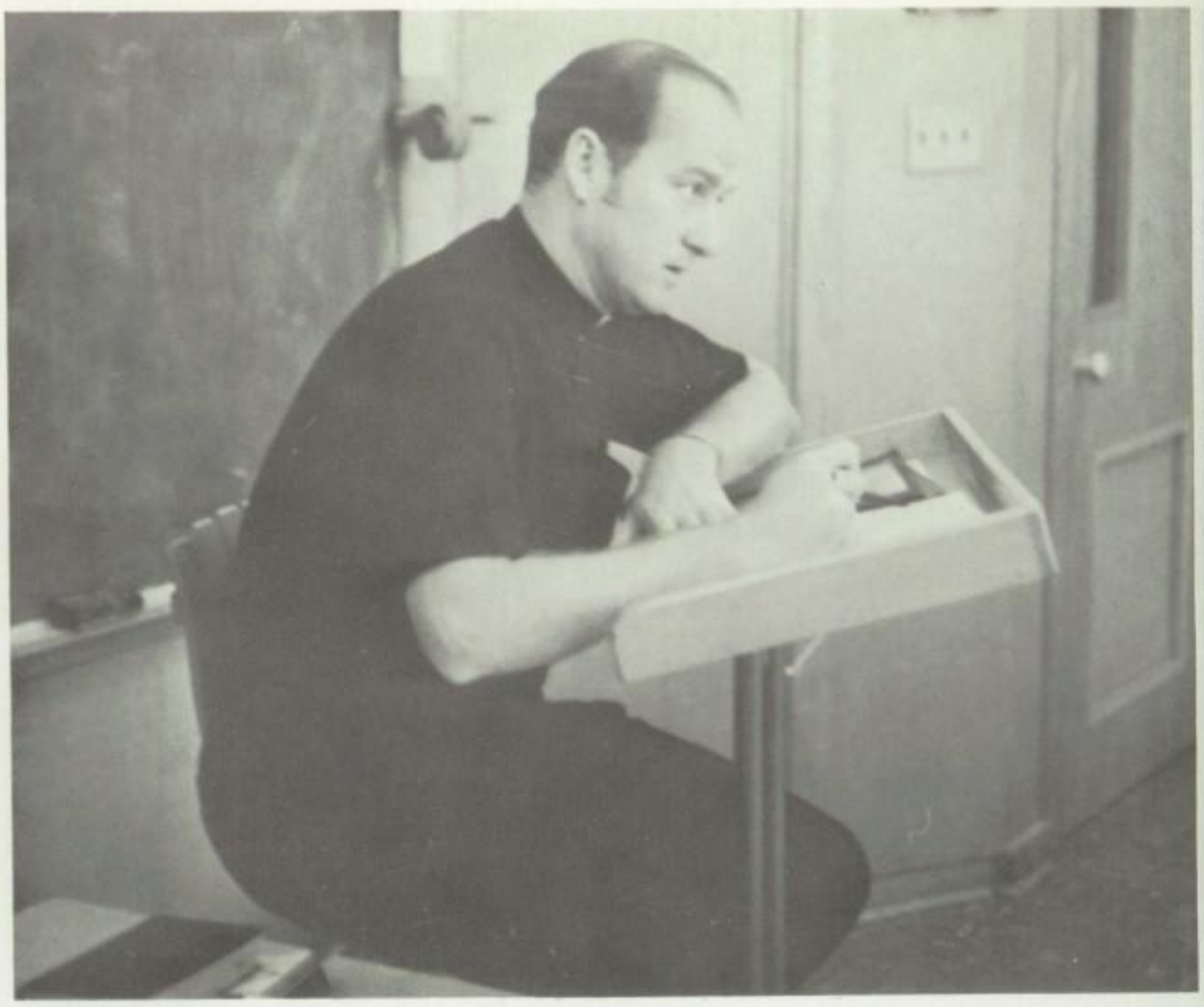
Sister Catherine Casey
Freshman Class Dean

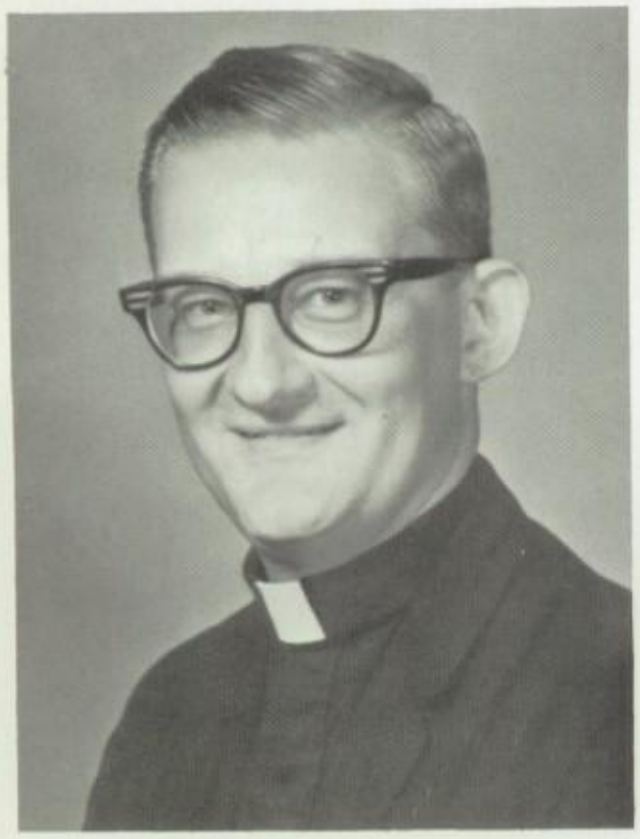
Chaplains

Father Dvorak can answer any question put to him by puzzled Seniors.

Rev. Don Dvorak:
Counselor

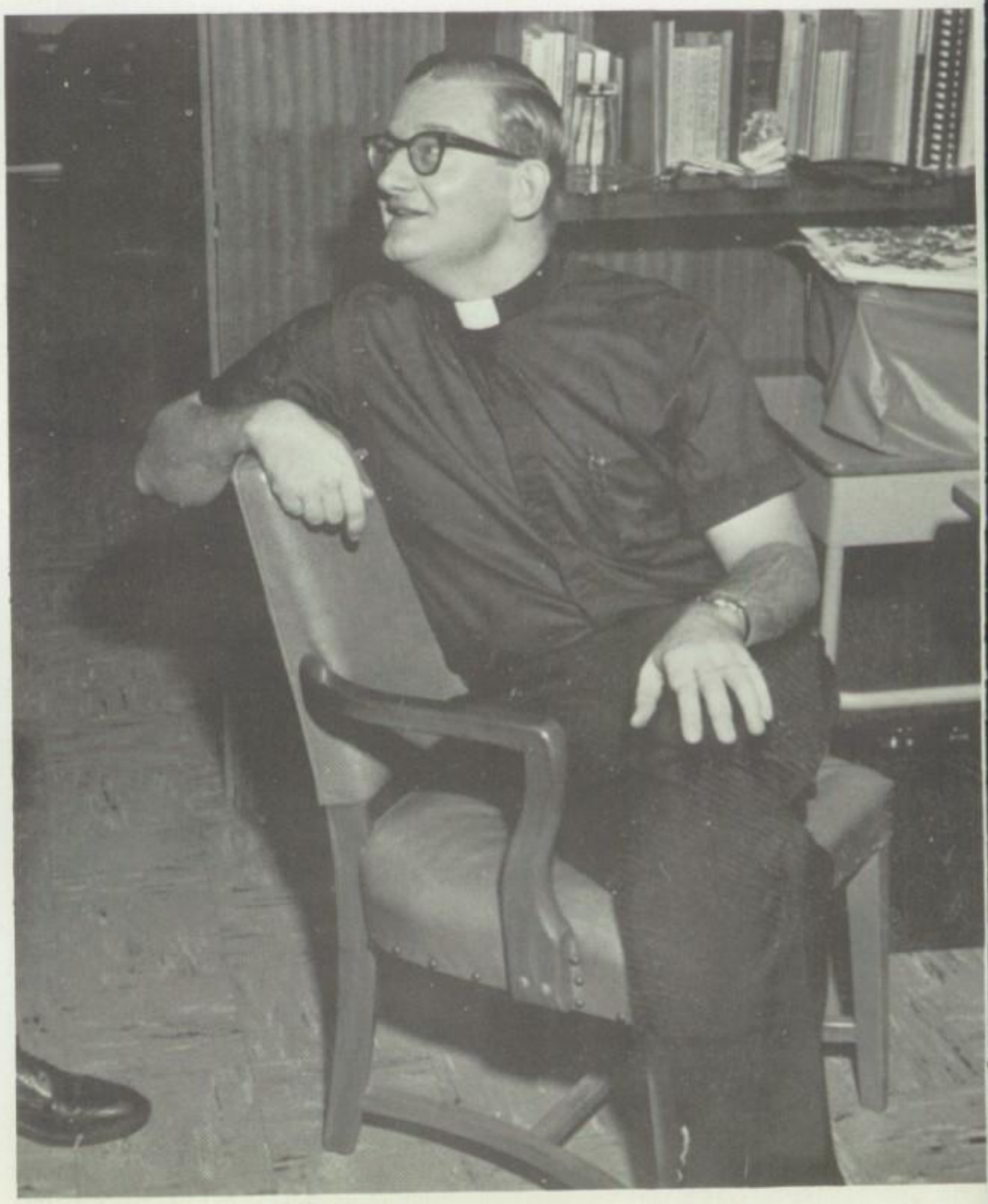




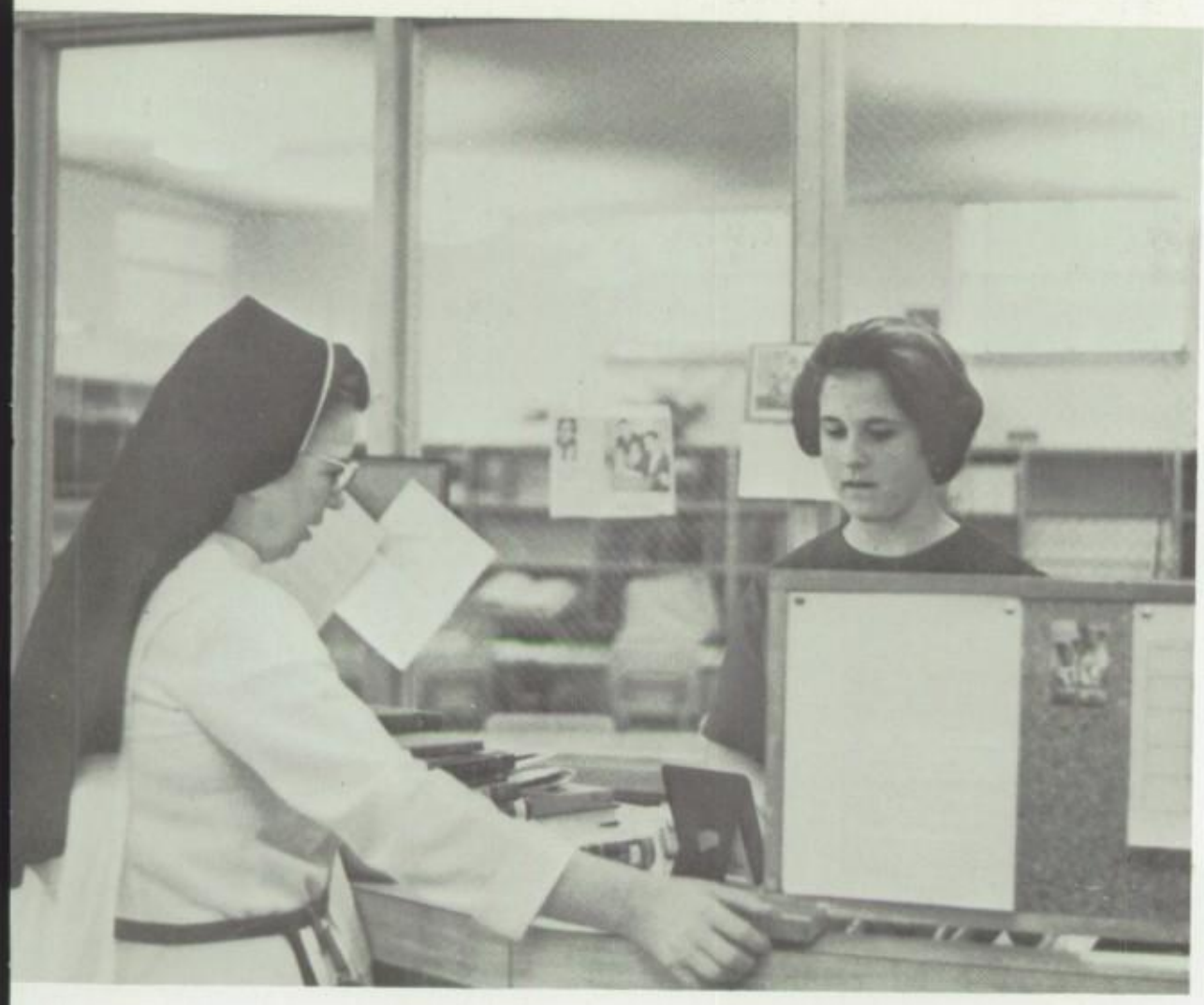


Rev. Larry Landmesser:
Chaplain

Father Lawrence Landmesser, alias Father Larry, takes an extra minute to enjoy the comfort of his picturesque office.



Library



Chief librarian, Sister M. Claude instructs assistant librarians and sponsors the Boys A.V. Class.

Sister M. Claude Lane:
Librarian.

Mrs. Edwards:
Assistant Librarian.

Behind the scenes but always on the job, Mrs. Edwards fulfills the numerous duties as assistant librarian.

Sister Lou Ann Hill:
Chemistry, Physical
Science.

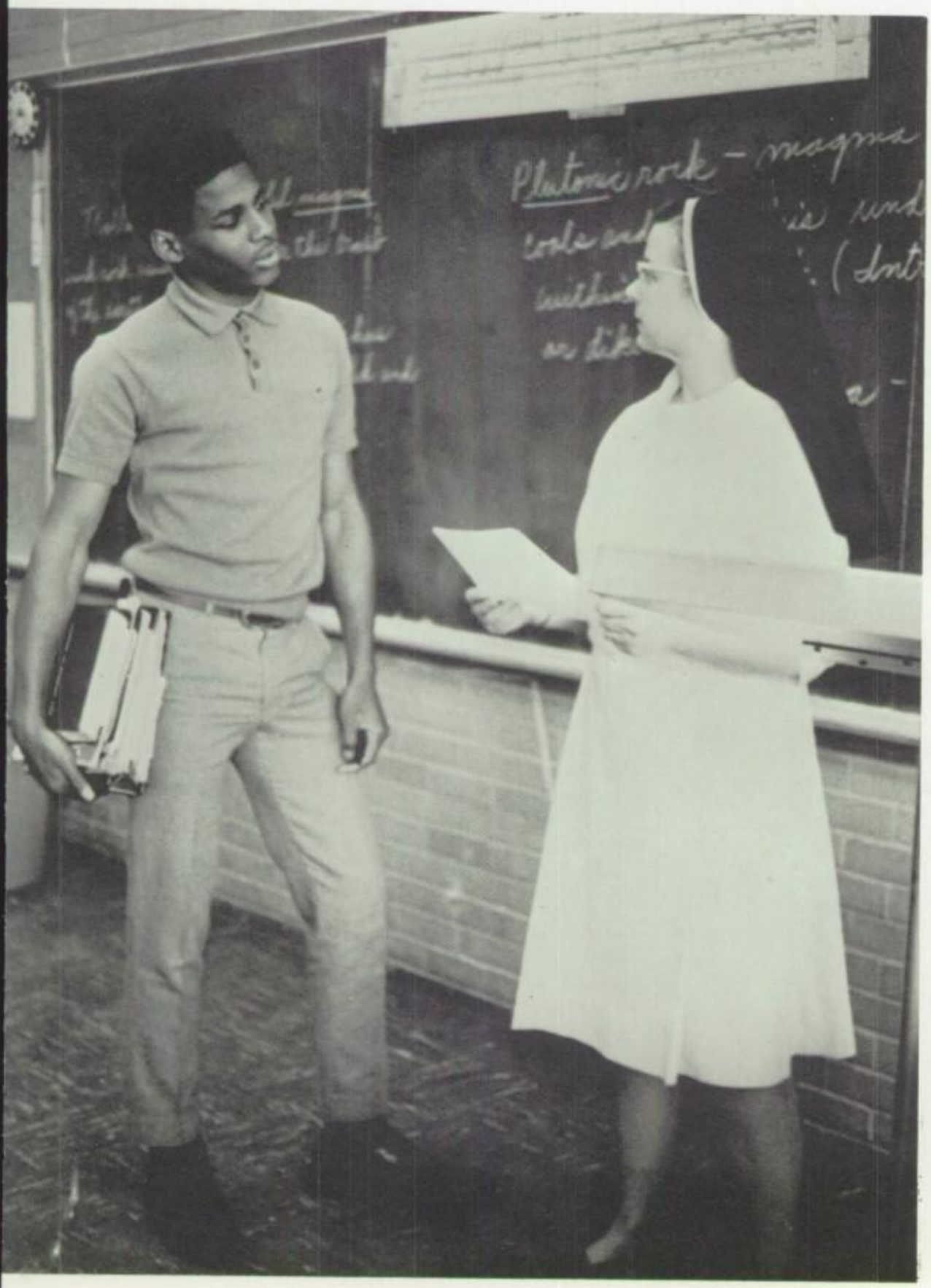
Sister Denise is a ready listener for any new opinions from her physical science students.

Sister Ann's pet bookworm leaves his literature to take care of his physical needs.

Science

Sister Ann Huffstetter: Biology, Religion II

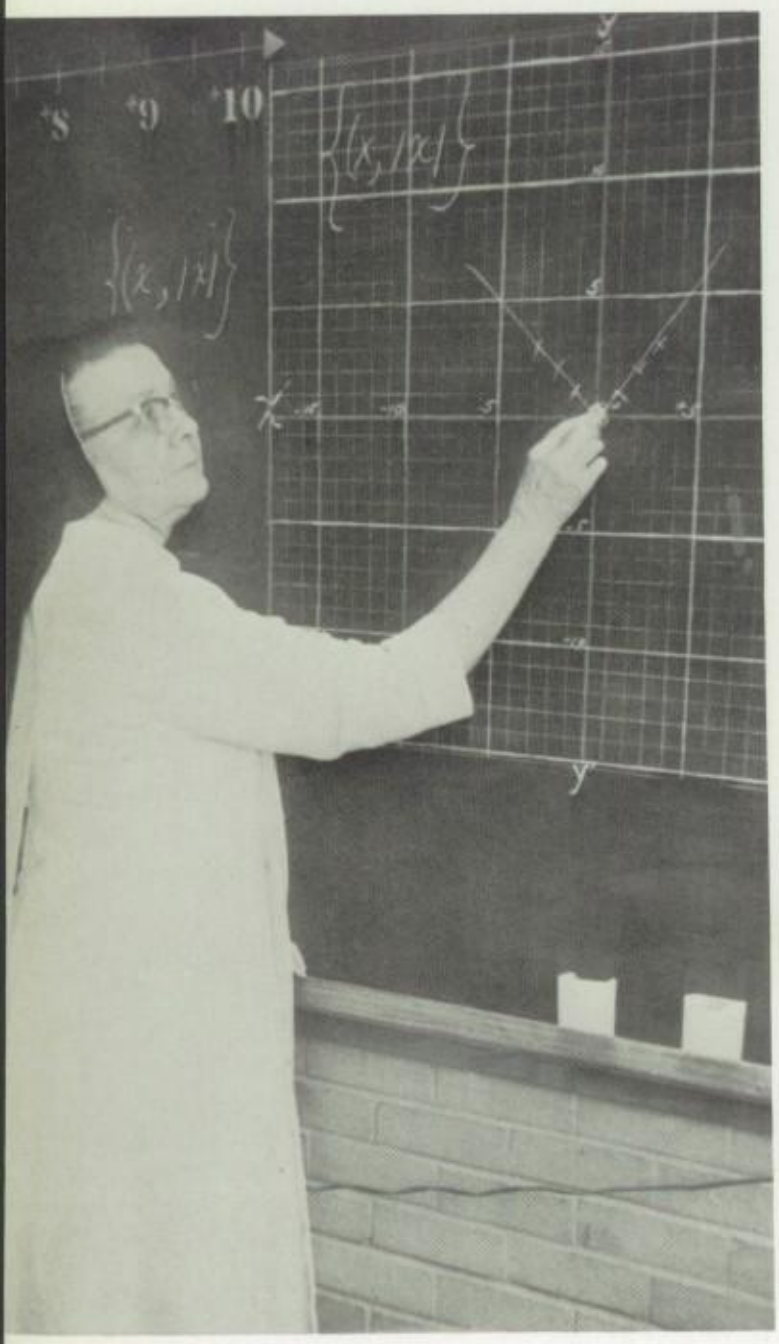
Sister Denise Bordages: Physical Science

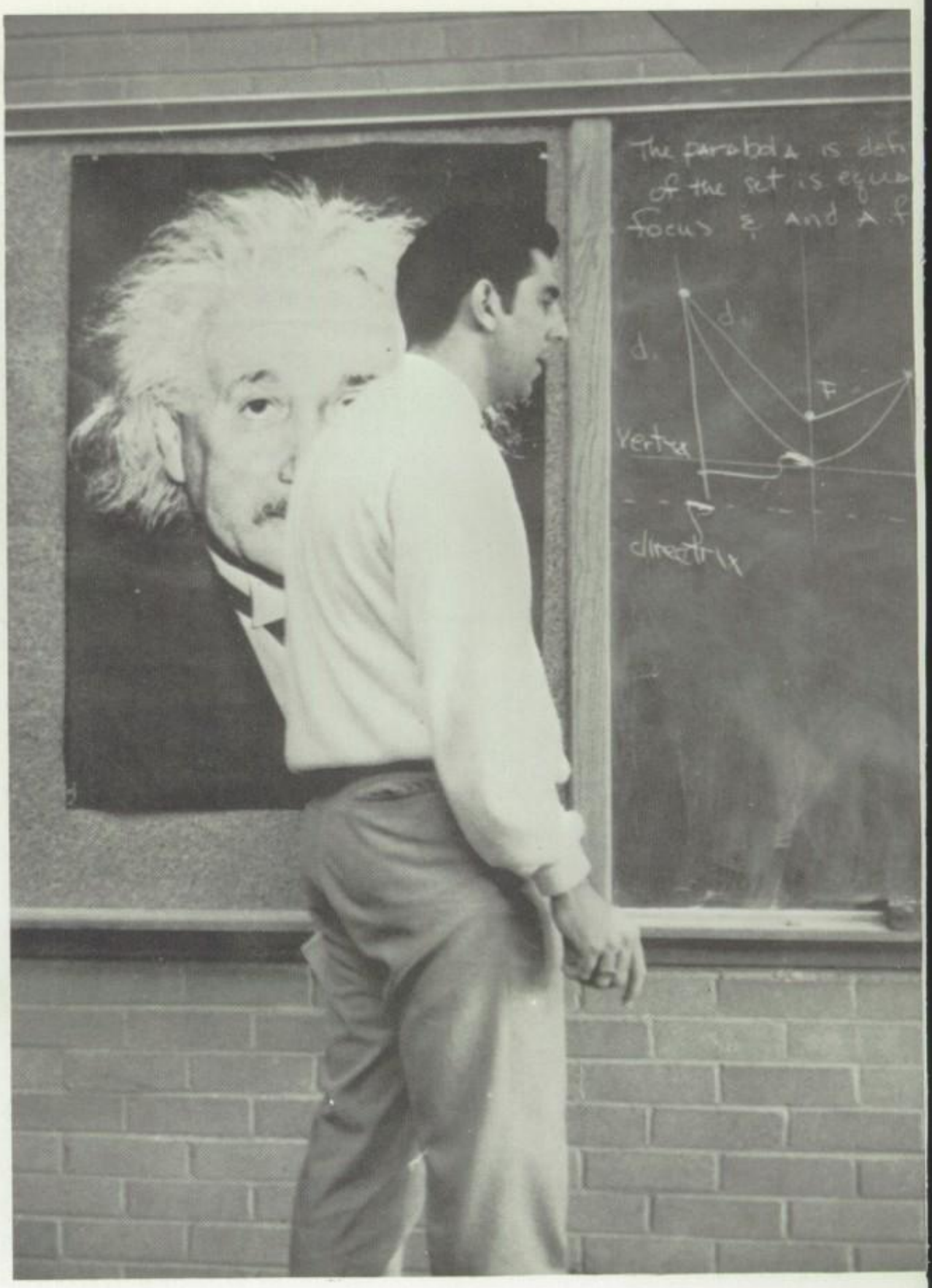


"Sister, does dichlorodifluoromethane cause chemicals to polymerize to form styrene butadiene rubber, or is it a propellant for spray cans?"

Mathematics

"Well, it kinda looks like a boomarang. . ."

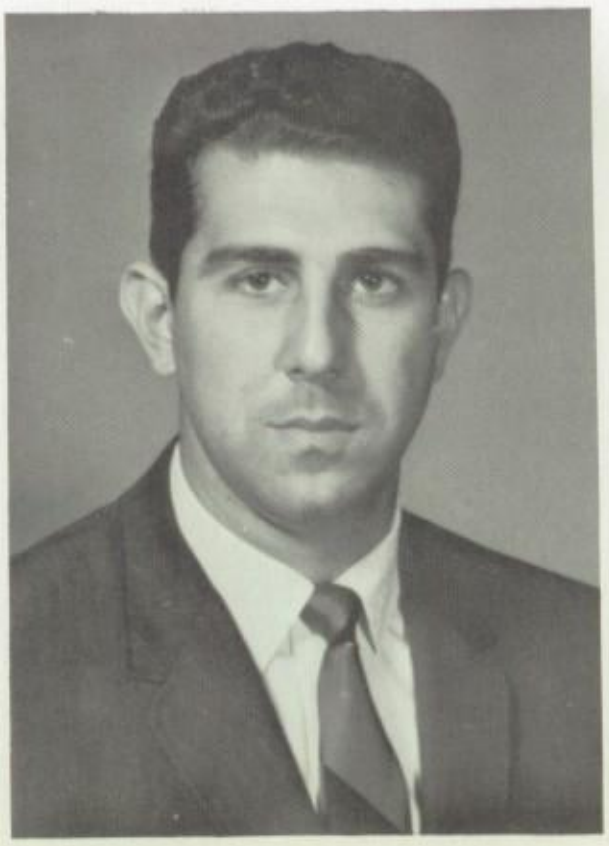




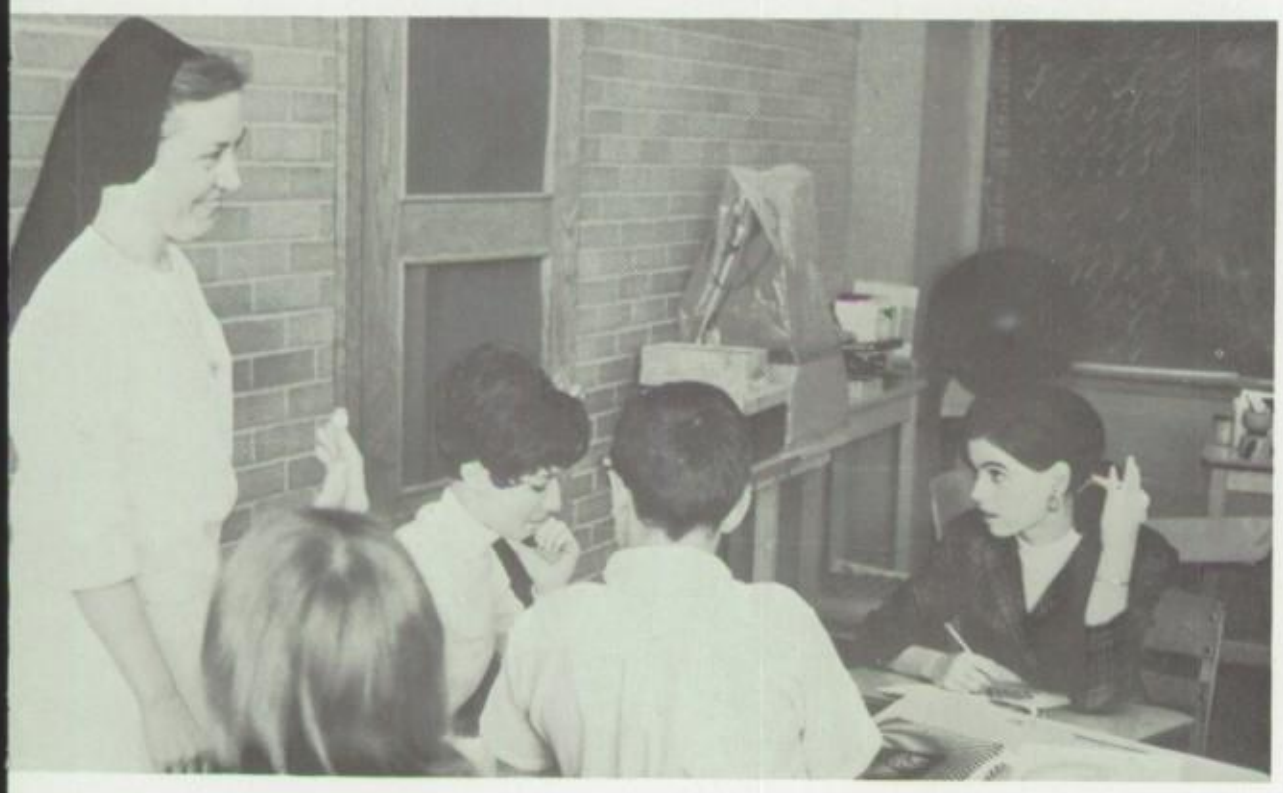
Teaching the fundamental theorems of Algebra II, Sister Bertrand graphs 'x' and 'y' values.

Mr. Roy Mendez:
Trigonometry, Computer Math, Religion IV, Analysis, Physics.

Sister Bertrand Janicek:
Algebra II, Religion II.



Algebra I? Aw now, wait a minute!



With students (?) like these Sister Phyllis enjoys teaching her geometry class.

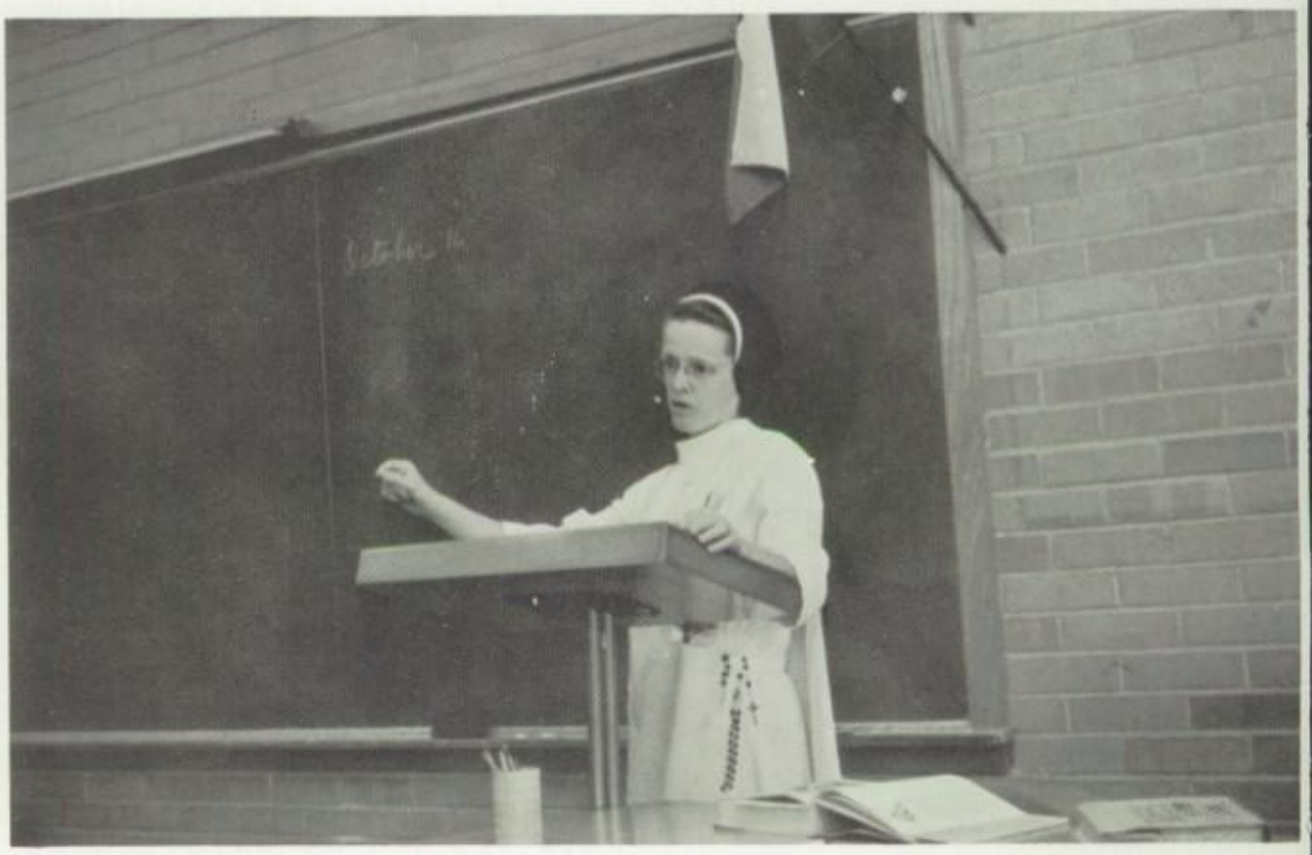
Sister Mary Phyllis Klein:
Geometry.

Sister Catherine Casey:
Algebra I, Related Math.

Social Studies

Sister Regis Le Bourgeois:
Government.

Sister Annunciata Clark:
World History, World Geography.

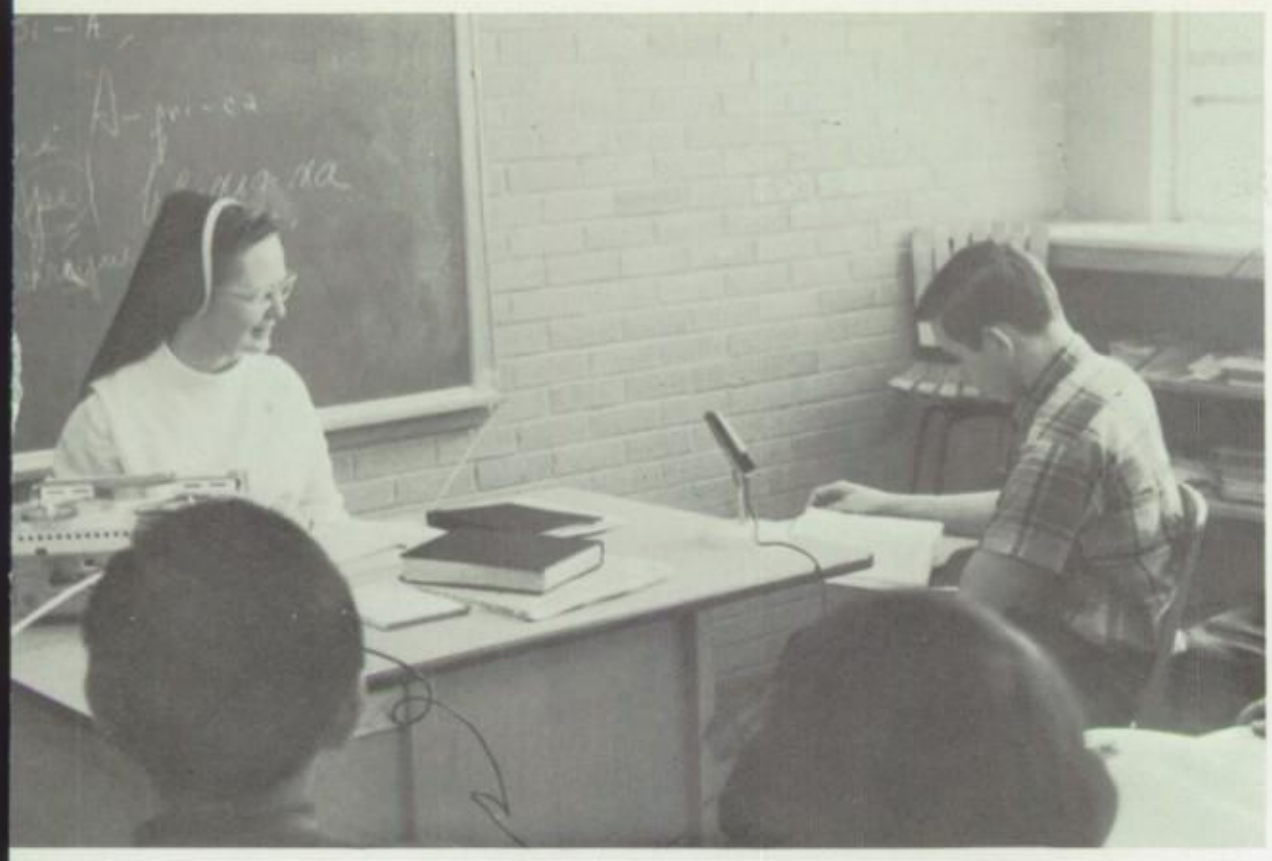


"Could it be. . .Arlene Frances?"

War and Peace, the history of the world, is explained by Sister Annunciata to her students.

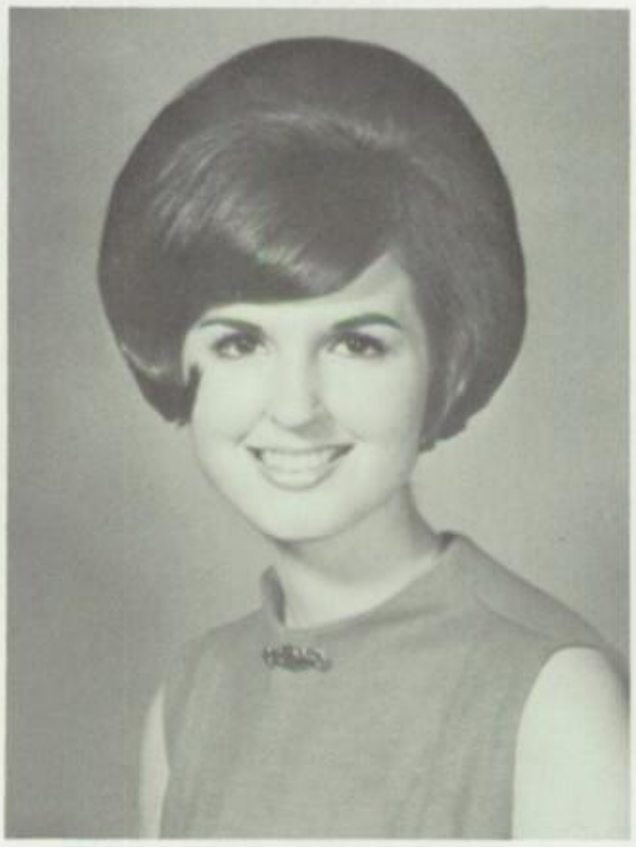
Sister Christine shares her enthusiasm for American History with her junior audience.

Foreign Language



Latin scholars receive instructions from Sister Mary Catherine.

Sister Isabel Acosta:
Spanish.



Mrs. Karen Hollenshead:
English, French, Speech.

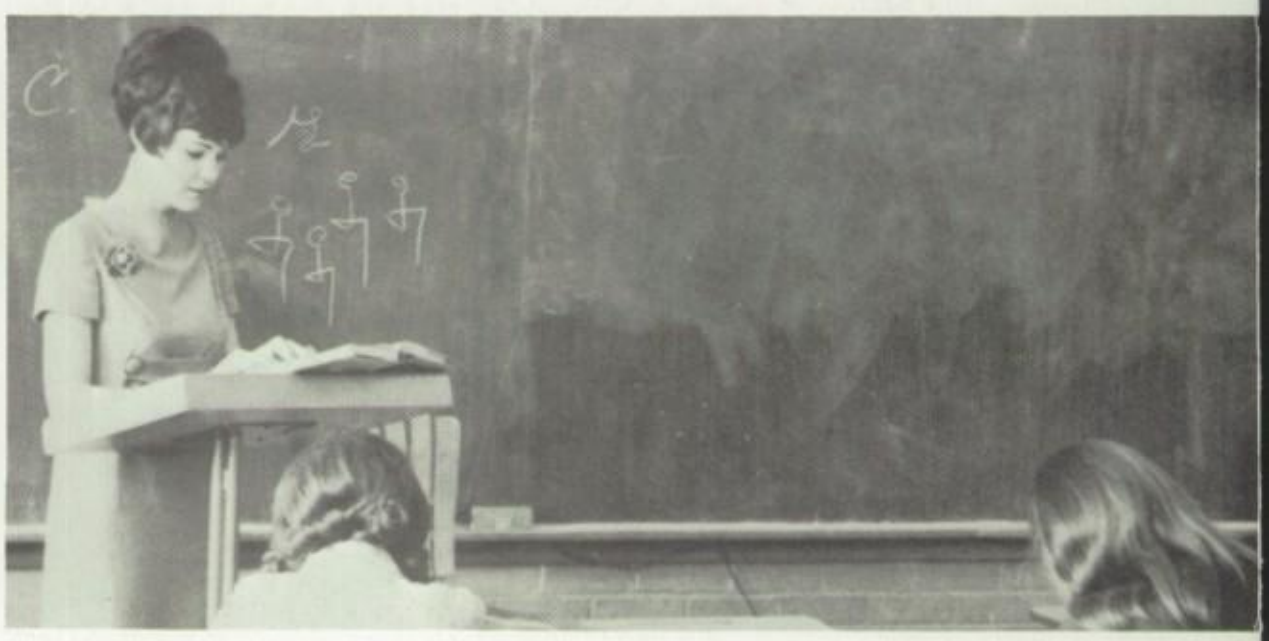
Aided by language lab facilities, Mrs. Hollenshead instructs her pupils in French I.

Spanish Club sponsor, Sister Isabel helps members package candy for their Halloween project.

Business

"How To Remove Hand from offset Machine Step No. 1, Turn off machine."

Miss Adams dictates a letter to her shorthand class.



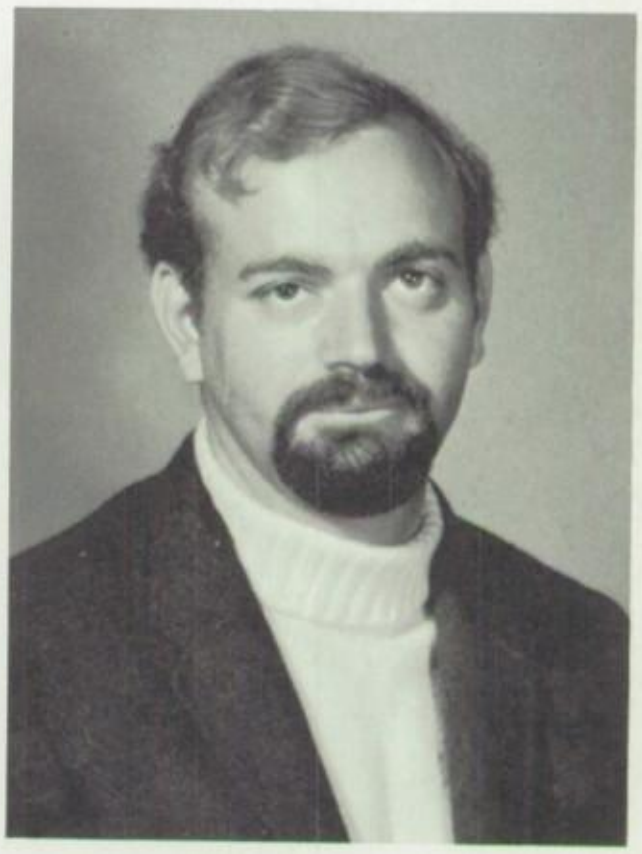
Sister Angela:
Business Education.

Miss Linda Adams:
Business Education.

Sister Lavergne Schwender:
Business Education, Religion.

Humanities

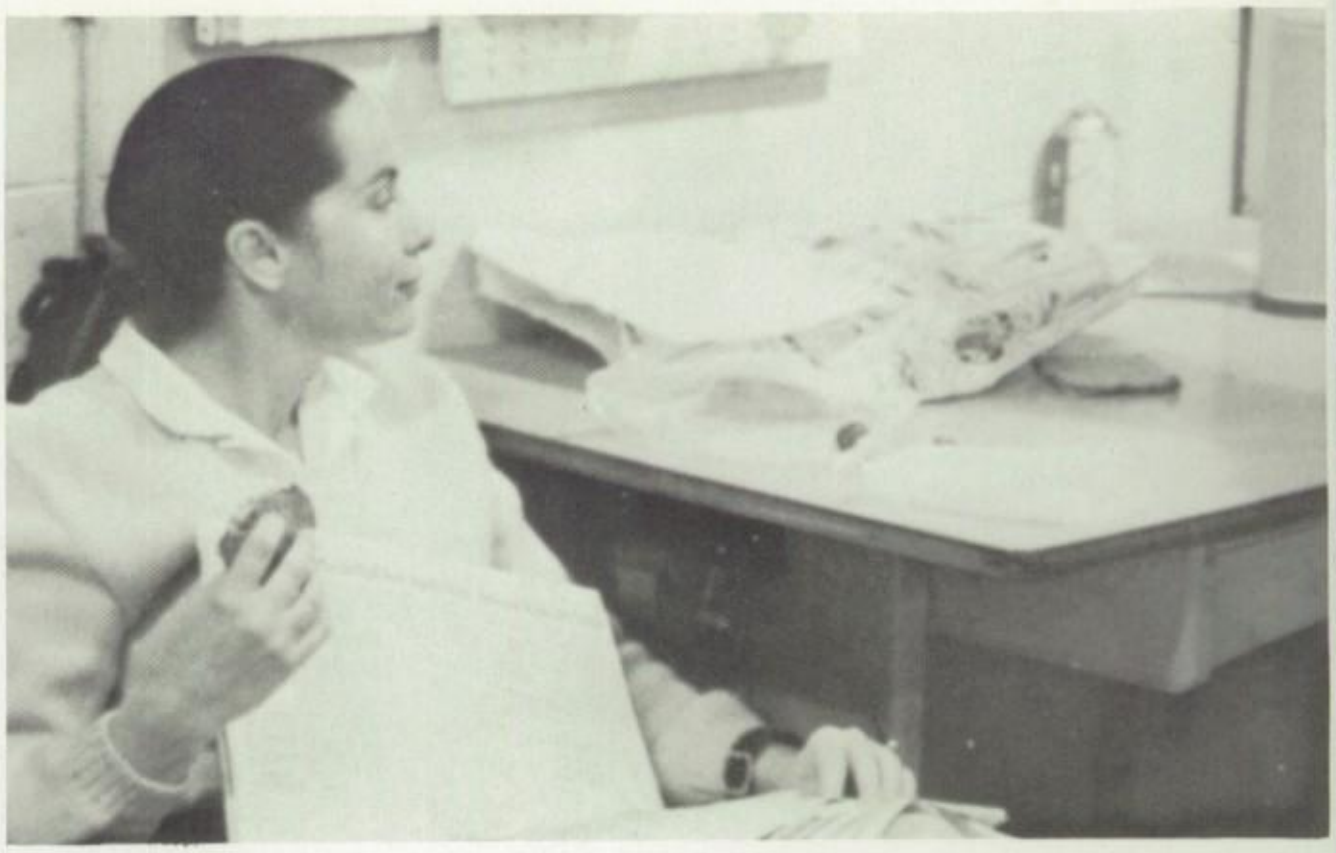
Humanities and art teacher, Sister Anne Marie gives professional advice to budding artist, Mary Januhowski.



Mr. Markley, band director, confers with Sr. Mary Catherine, Ballet Troupe Sponsor on last minute arrangements for the Christmas Program.

In tender and quiet manner, Sr. Eileen willingly explains problems encountered by a vexed senior student.

Physical Education



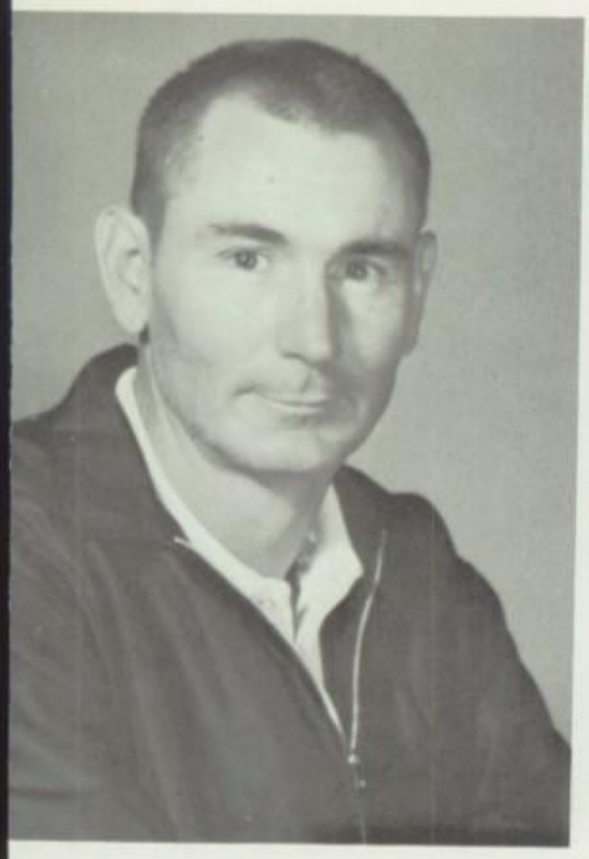
In between her rigorous classes, Mrs. Clinger rests for lunch.

Coach Corte watches his sprinters train for their meet.

Coach Bob Hudson:
Director of Athletics, Head Coach, Varsity Football, Freshman Basketball.

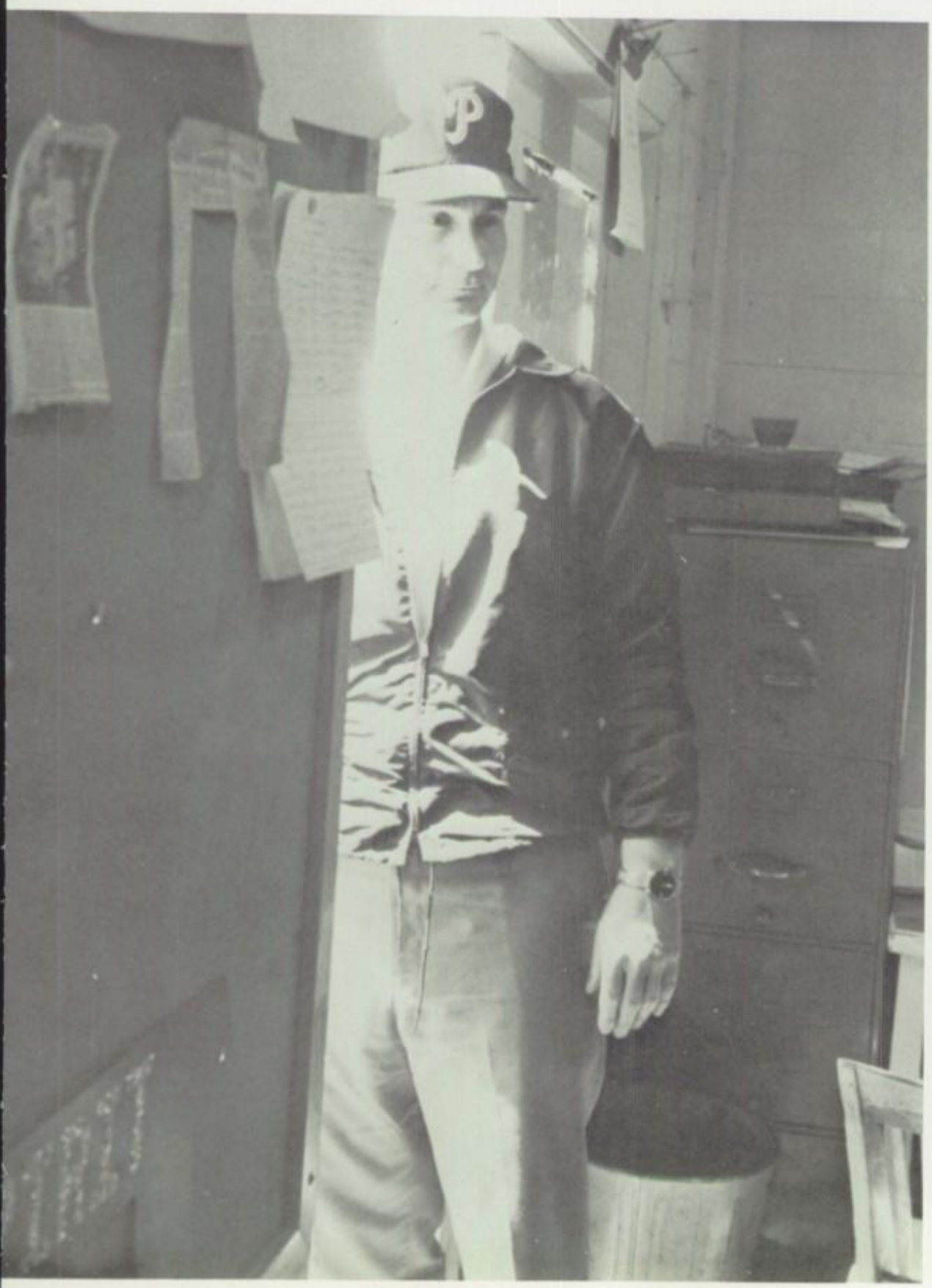
Coach Anthony Corte:
Physical Education, Varsity Football, Track.

Instructions are pointed out to football players in the Green Room.



Coach Ed Deffenbaugh:
Physical Education, Varsity Football, Varsity Baseball, Driver Ed.

Mrs. Kathy Higgins:
Girls' Volleyball, Girls' Basketball.



Mrs. Mary Jo Clinger:
Physical Education

Sole survivor of the latest Driver's Ed class, Coach Deffenbaugh returns to his faithful baseball team.

English

"Alright, if it's not gum, throw it away anyway."

Sister Joanna Doherty:
English, Spanish.

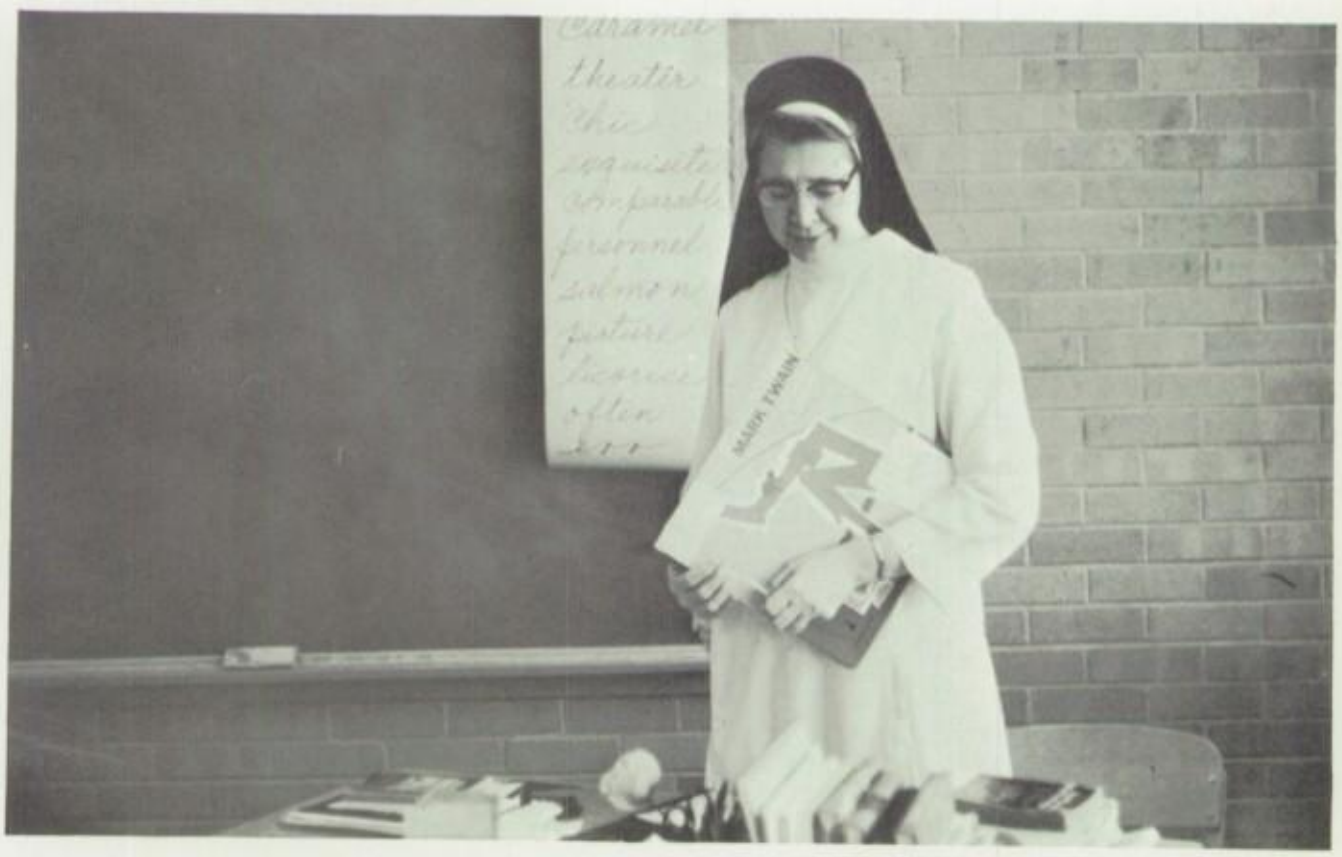
Sister Eileen Hennessy:
English, Humanities.

Sister Theresa Jamail:
English, Religion.

Sister Lauren Lindee:
English.

Normally, Sister Susan teaches English. Could she be demonstrating how to make English muffins?

Sister Susan Nasser:
English, Religion



The fun Sister Joanna has relating Mark Twain's life to Juniors is obvious.

Sister Lauren, are your Freshmen English scholars really that fascinating?

Journalism

In sixth period Shirley Modrzjewski obtains additional help from Sister Marguerite on how to sew material with stripes.

Sister Christine Eheman:
Torchbearer, American History.

Sister Marguerite Madden:
Del Sarto, Home Economics

Sister Christine is the driving force behind the award-winning Torchbearer staff.

Maintenance

Mr. Joe Vitanza:
Maintenance Staff

Mr. Marvin Veal:
Maintenance Staff

Mr. Nick Vitanza:
Chief of Maintenance

Dedication, perserverance, and plain hard work are the needed qualities possessed by these men in order to keep St. Pius in "tip-top" condition.

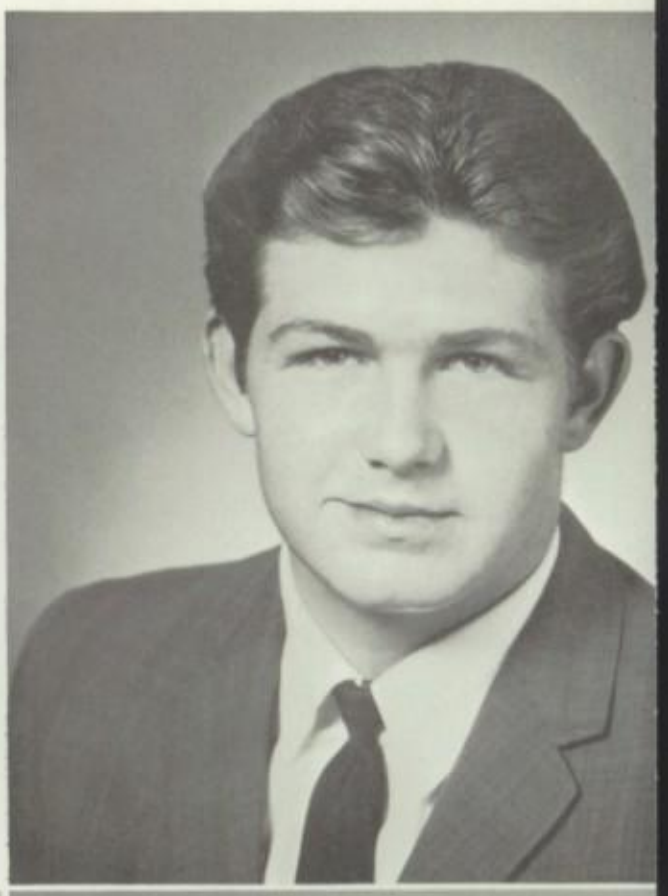
Classes

SENIOR CLASS

Success brings us pride,
Respect of those who follow,
And faith in ourselves.

—Jo Ann Marek

How do you expect to learn anything with these thugs in class?



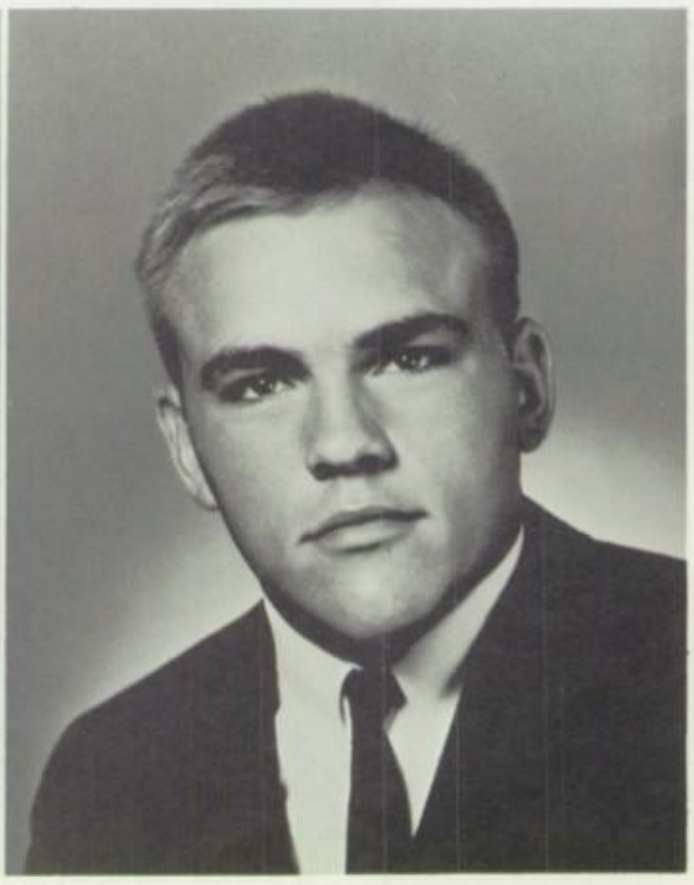
Deborah Bielamowicz
Dorothy Bielamowicz
Peggy Bynum

Jerry Bielamowicz
Pat Bielamowicz
Charles Calvin
Bernadine Cemino
Mike Cheyney

Dan Bachmeyer

Jeanette Broussard

Happy days are here again.



Vicky Christian

Barbara Wise finds a minute to relax from the confusion between classes.

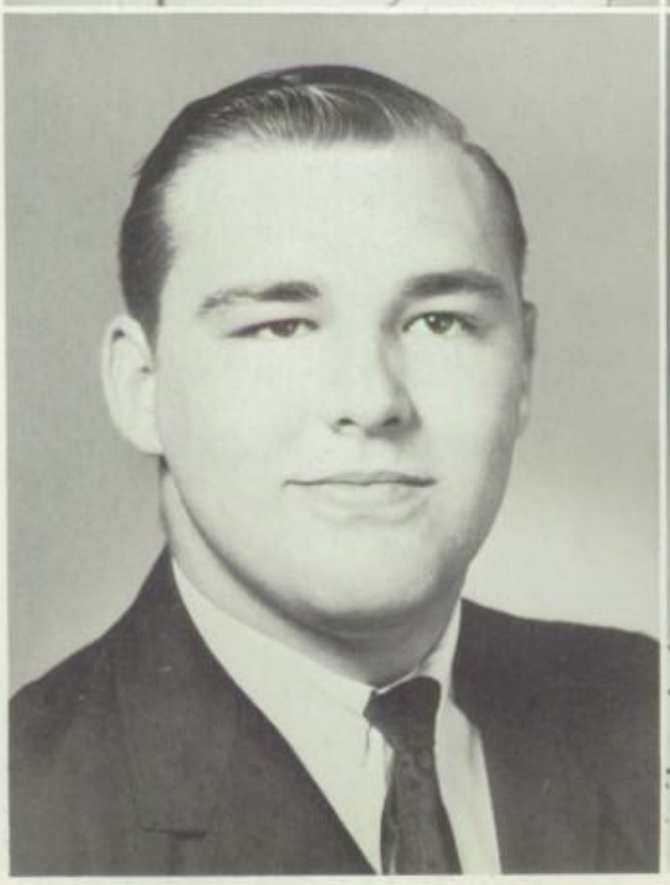
Darnell Darbonne

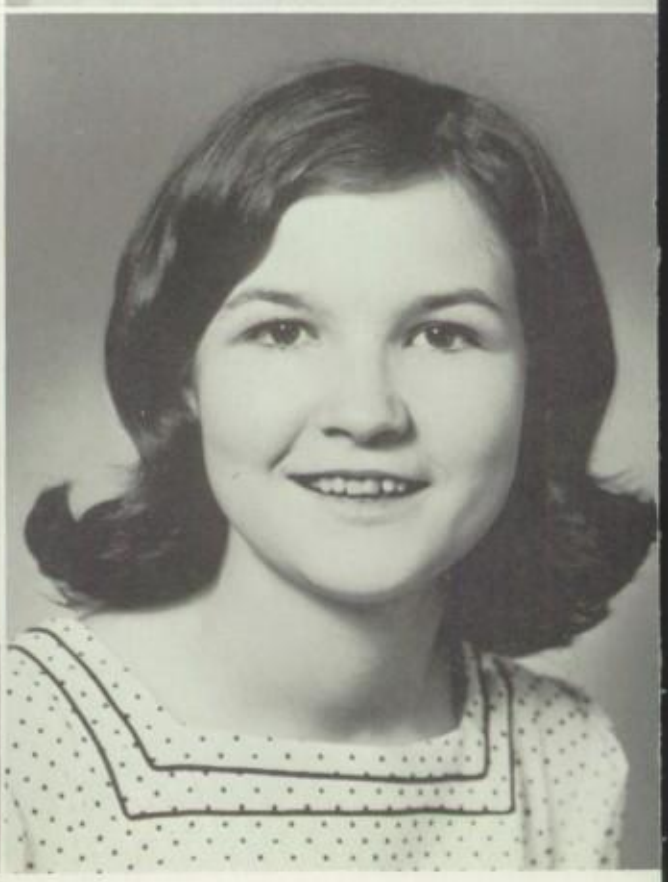
Teresa De Marco

Jeri Domingue

Walter Dorsey

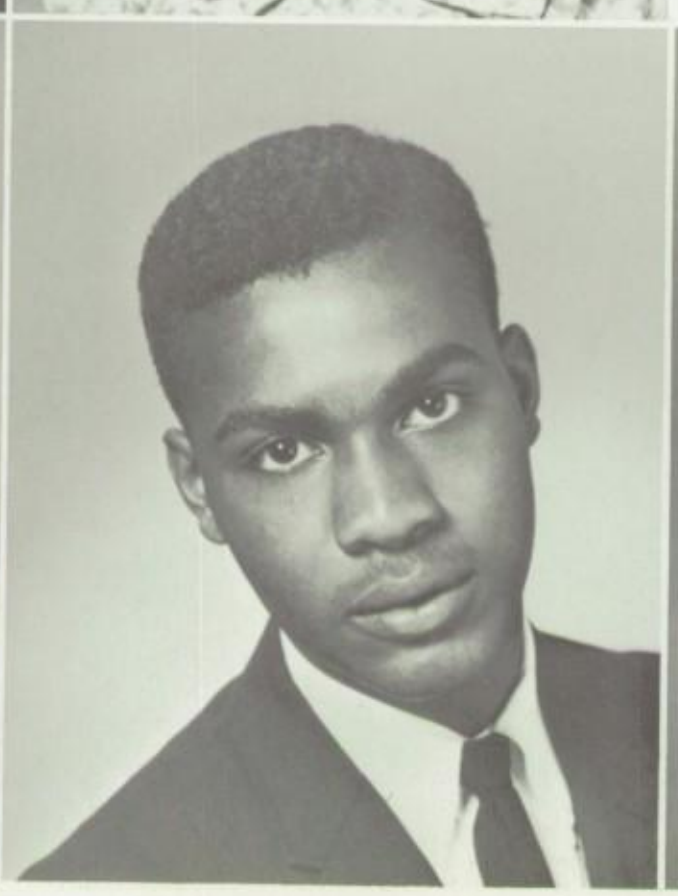
Janette Dotson



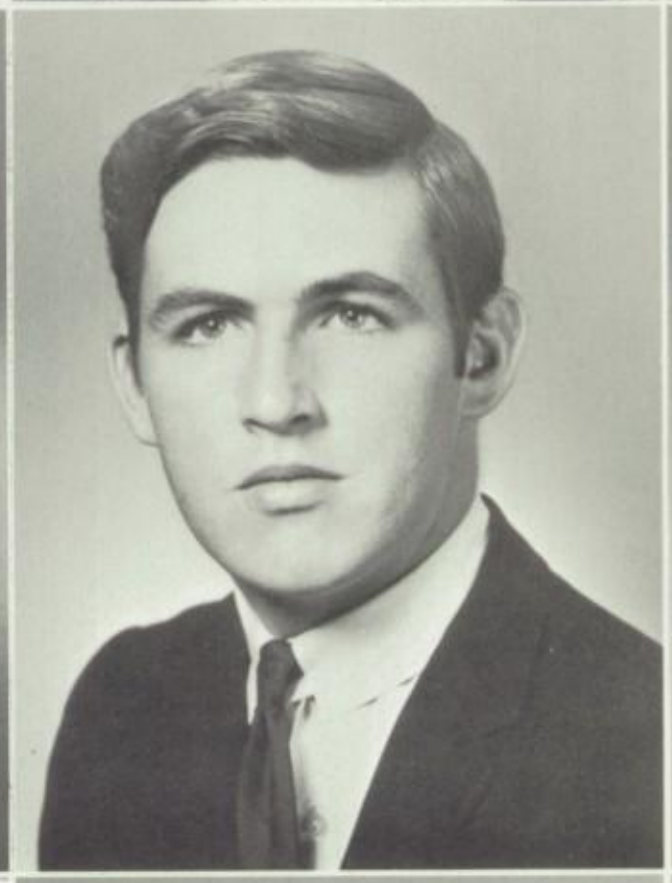


Seniors welcome the break for lunch as a time of relaxation and enjoyment, as well as a chance to feed their faces.

Debbie Collins
Gloria Cykala
Harvey Diehl
Marietta Diehl



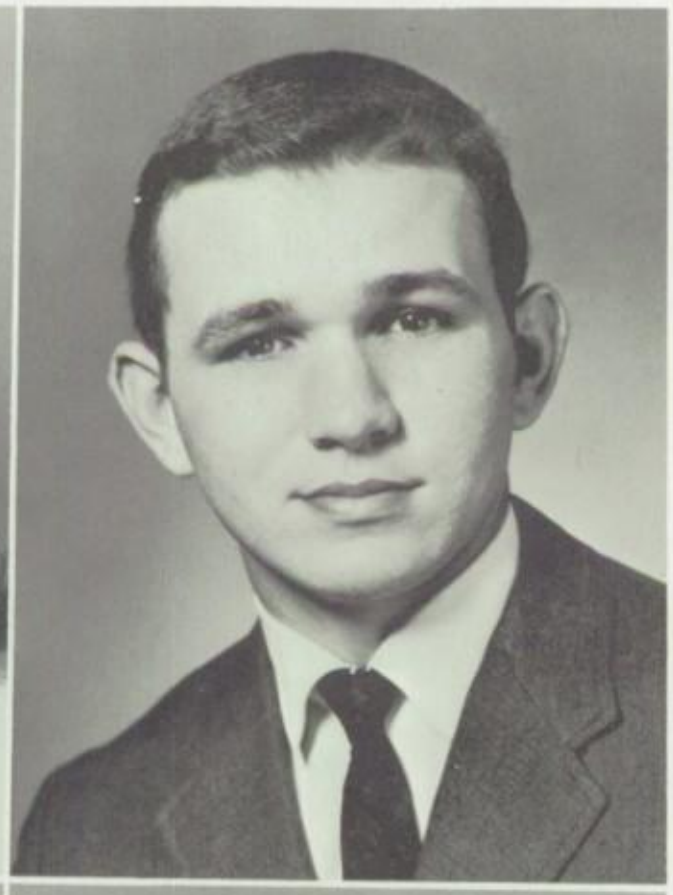
Judy Emmons
Francie Fisher



Henrietta Garza
Frances Gaudiano
Linda Gorski
Tommy Grady

"... angelic faces of angelic Seniors singing angelic Christmas carols ..."

Donna Fitzpatrick

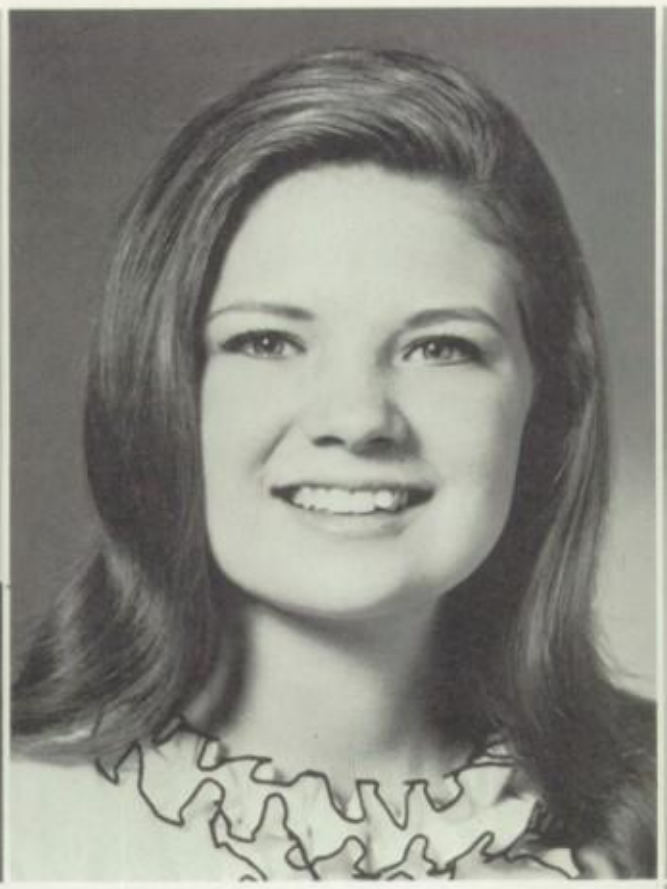


Billy Flynn

Bernadette Garay

Janet Gentry

Larry Goins



Ronda Harrison

Sharon Hillman

Judy Hoepfl

Nancy Holub

Joe Havard

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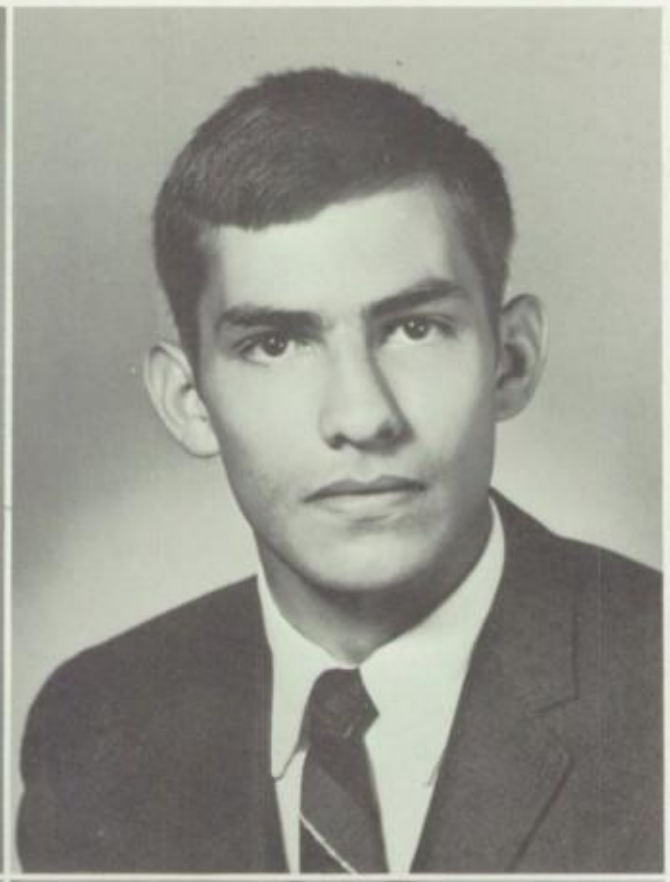
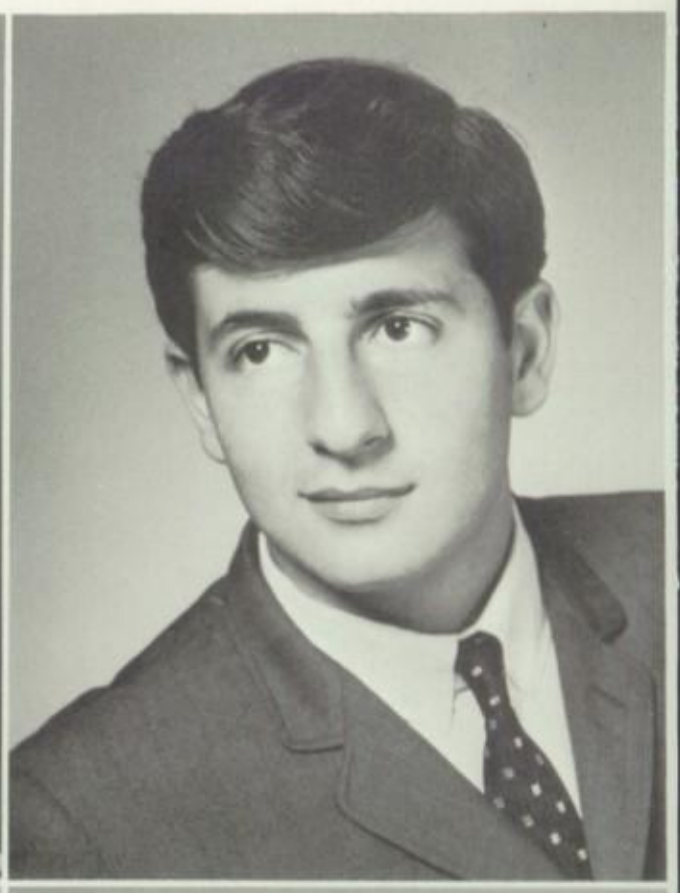


Frank Grizzaffi
Debbie Groll
Mary Ann Grucholski
Archie Hayes
Edward Herrera

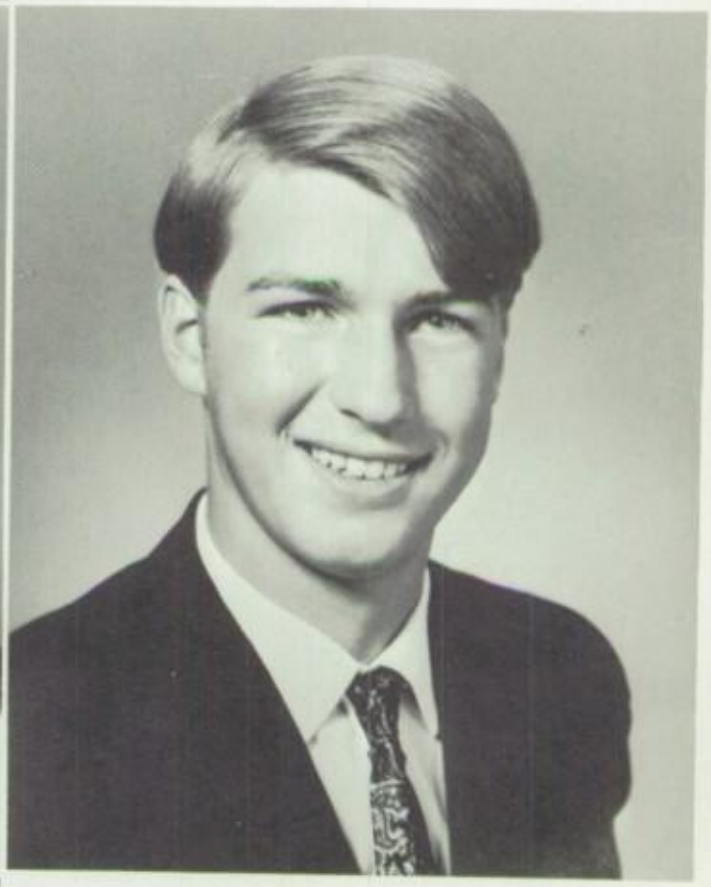
"Genius at work."



Patricia Jadloski
Mary Januhowski
Susi Kapczynski
Darlene Kasowski
Martin Kenssens

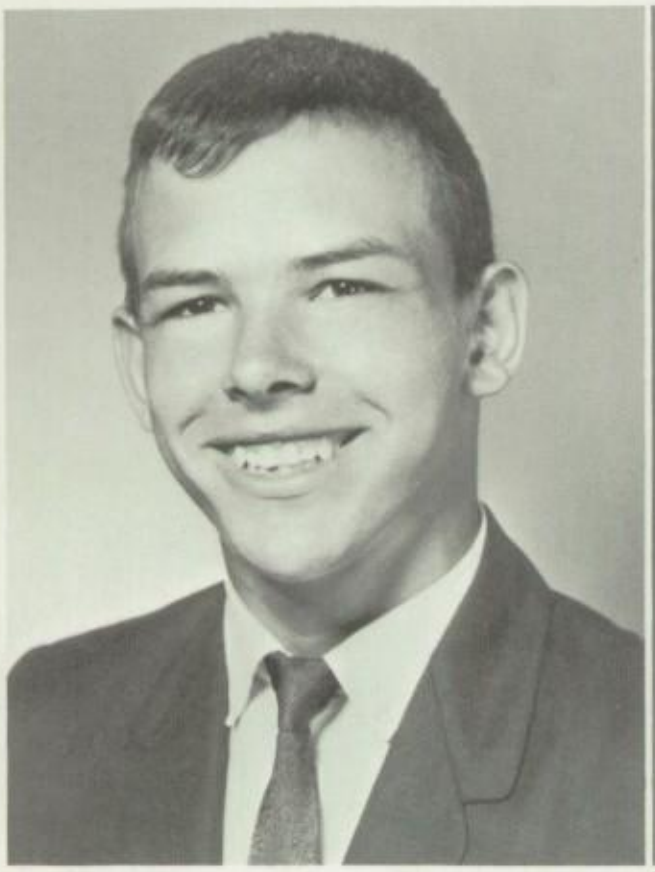
"Smile Seniors, you're on candid camera!"

Carol Hunt
Enrico Ippoliti
Brenda Johnston
Herbert Jozwiak



Kenneth Klotz
Mary Klovenski

A funny thing happened on the way to school today . . .



Larry Landry
Colleen Langley
James Loranc
Linda Lussier
Rufus McBride

Rachel Knapik
Cathy Lewandowski

Randy Kouba
Ann Marie Kowis
Anton Krokzyk
Anthony Licea

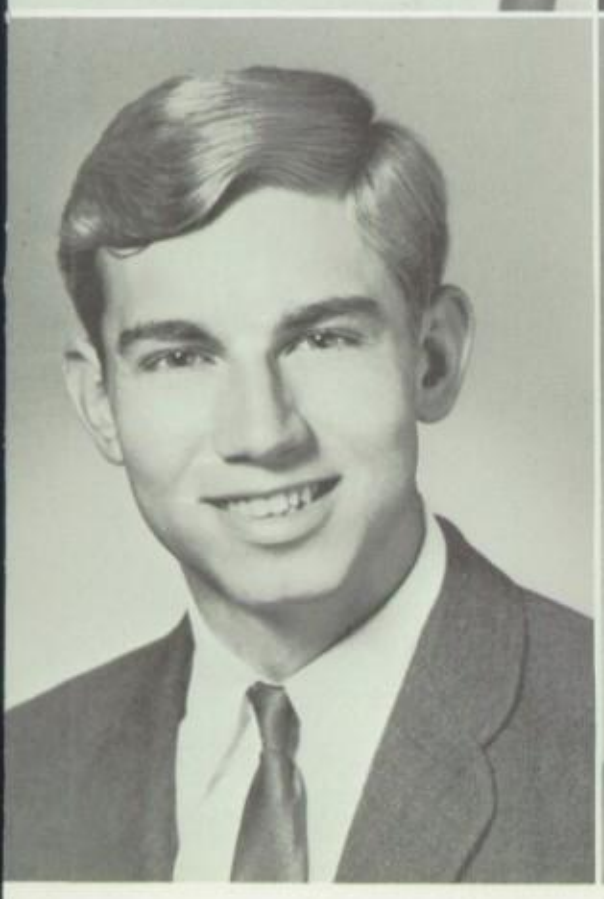
Amy McCullar

The fickle finger of fate points to Richard Suter, student body president.

Paulette McMayon
Bernadette Malek
Tommy Marek
Judy Marino
Madelyn Masaryk

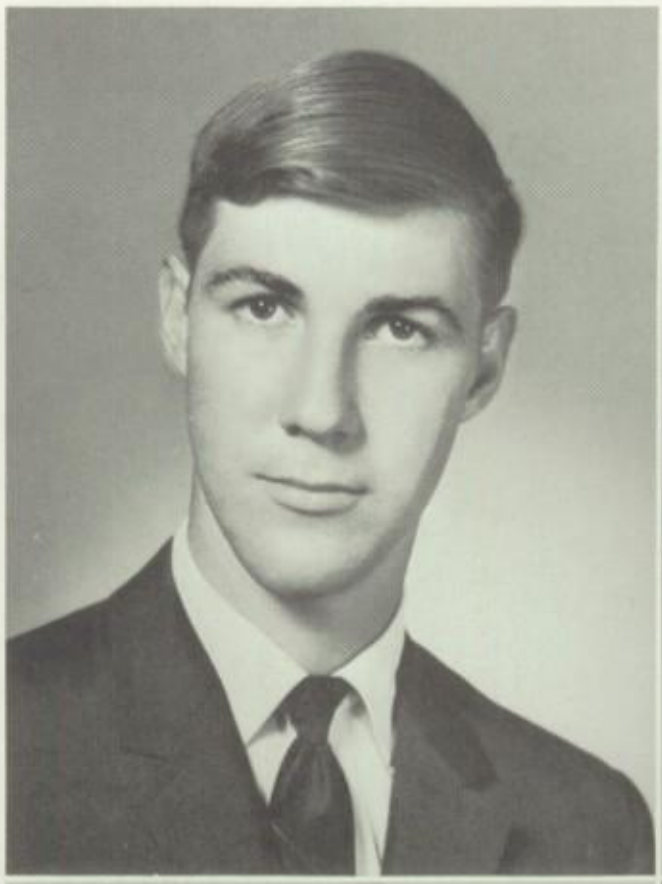
'All together now'

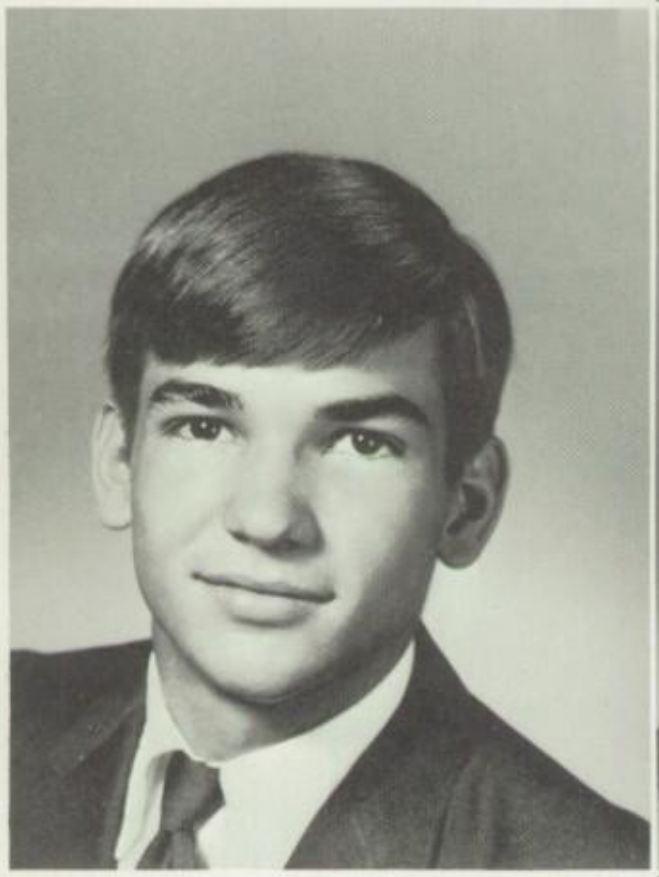
Sharon McKenna
Jo Ann Mahan
Jo Ann Marek
John Marek

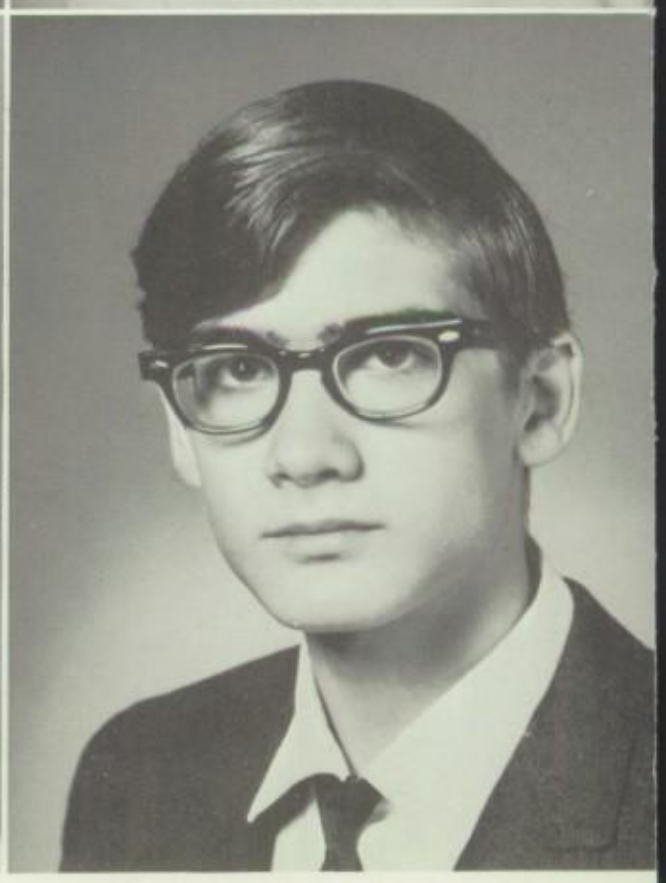


Martin Mechler

Melvin Meleski



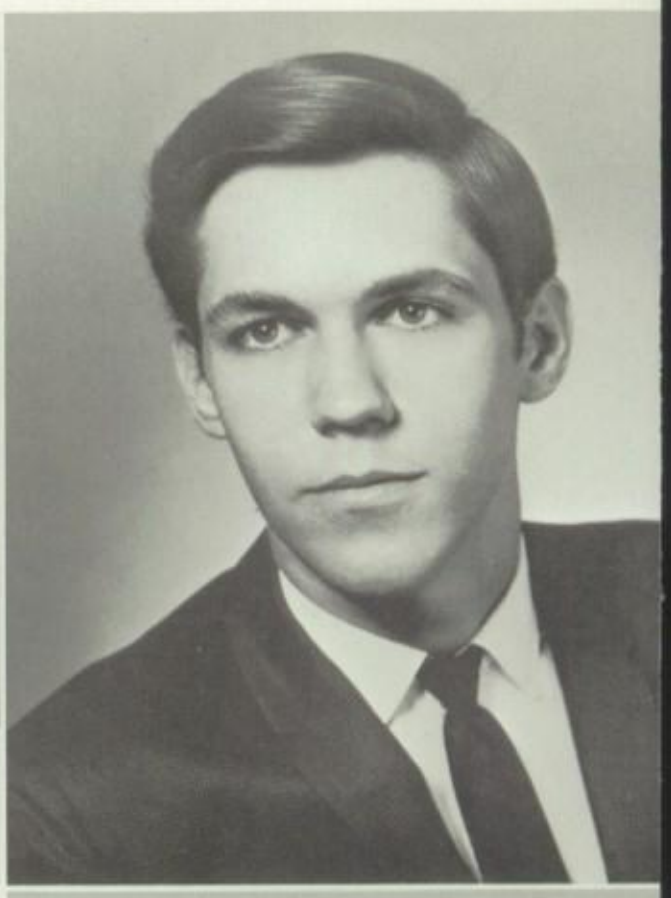


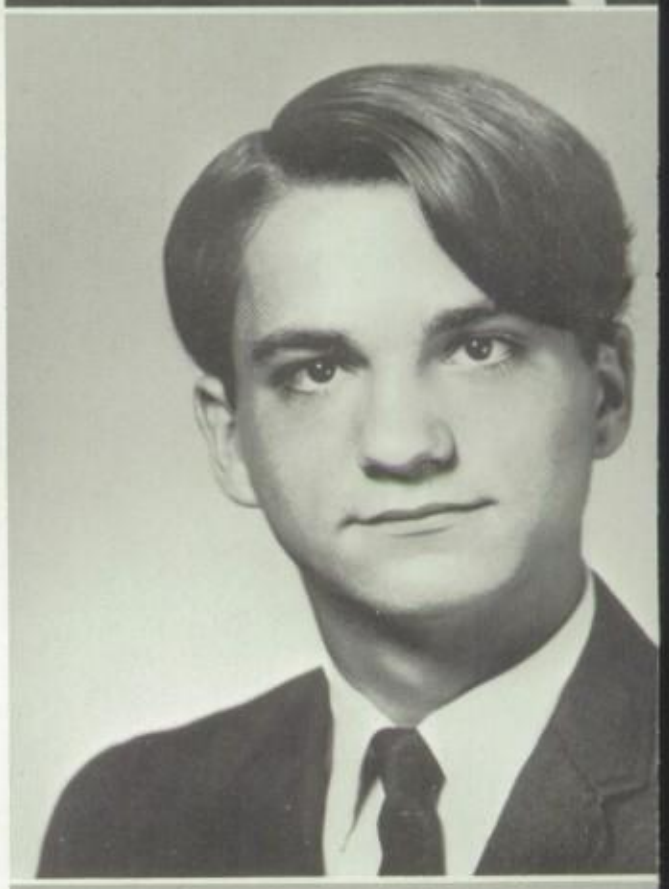


"Four score and seven years ago. . ."

Gary Mendel
Theresa Mendel
Shirley Modrzejewski
Janis Navarro
Paul Nevled

Chris Moore
Patrick Nailor
Adrian Nieto
Mike O'Donnell





Albert Pagel

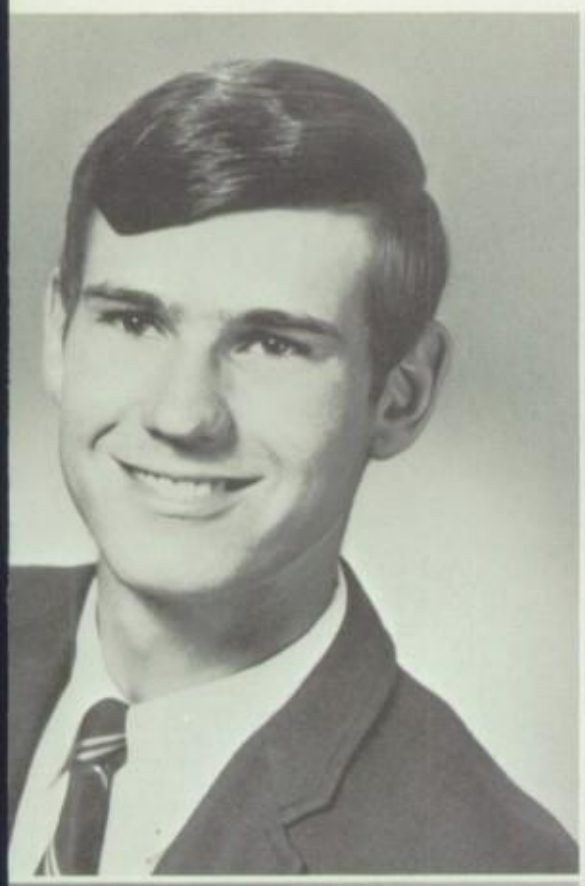
Colleen Pohlmeyer

Dale Pollak

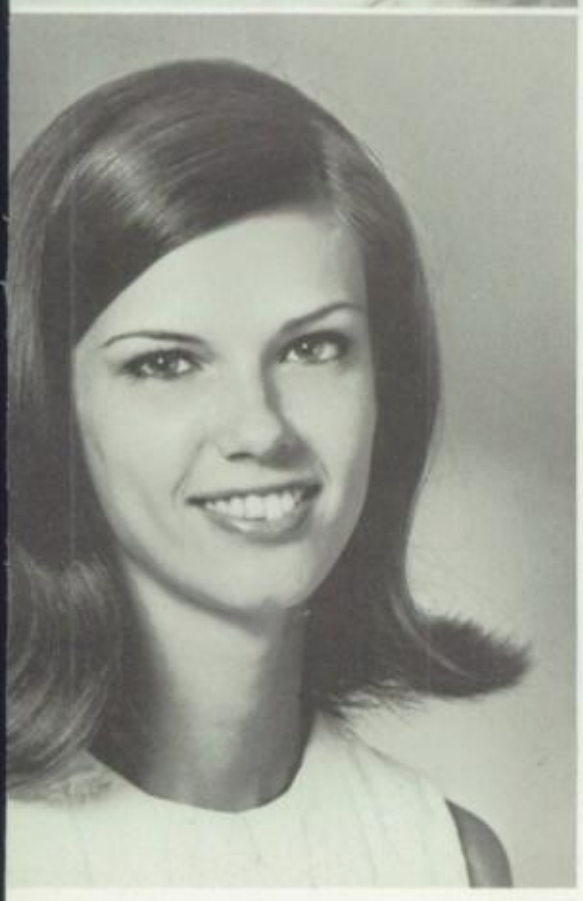
Elizabeth Quintero

Cheryl Paradowski

Ginny Ragar



Beverly Ognowski
Kathleen Okruhlik
Wayne Orlando
David Paulk
Janis Pinder



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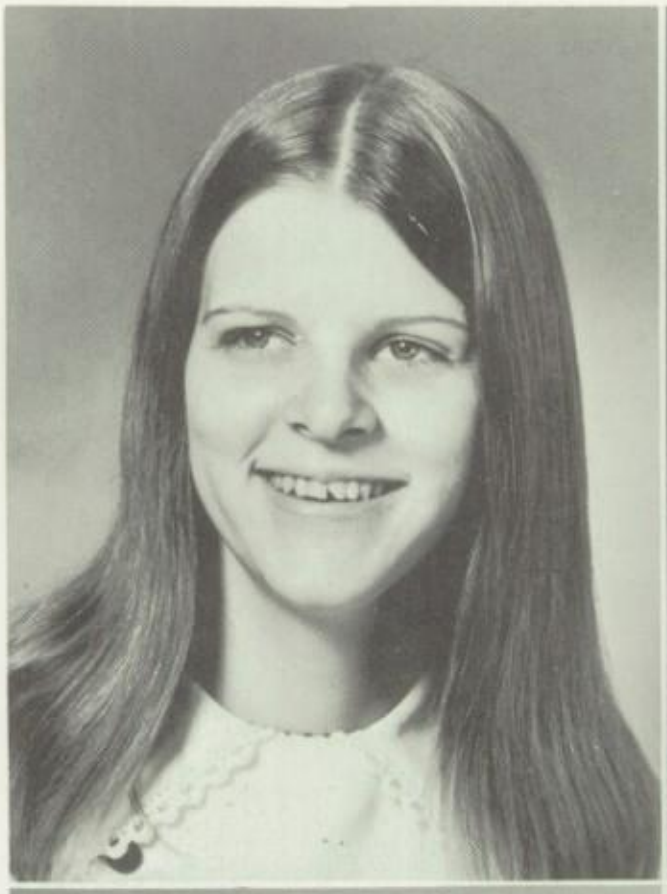
Karen Rawlinson
Kevin Reddy
Jennifer Rizzotto
Joe Rodriguez



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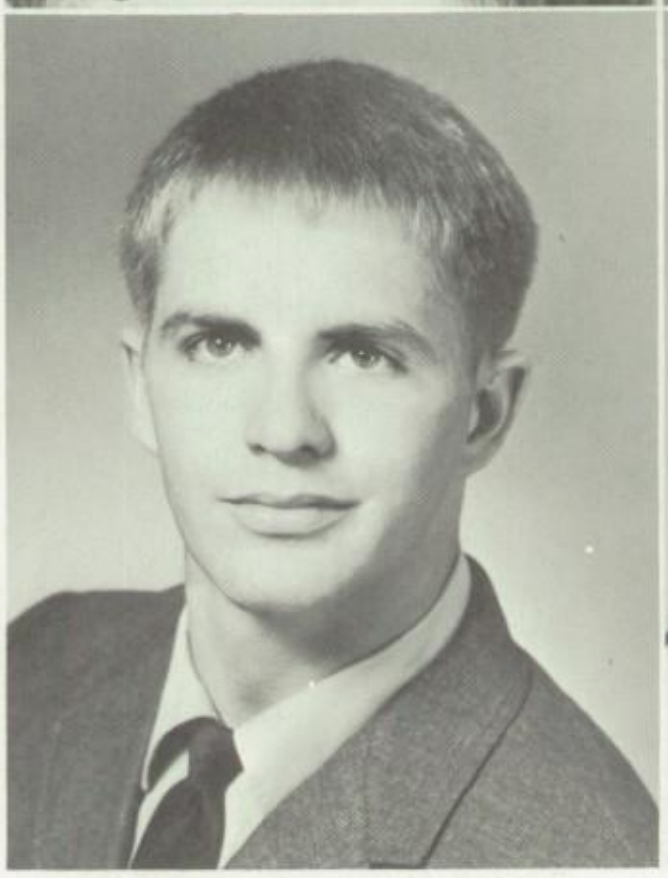
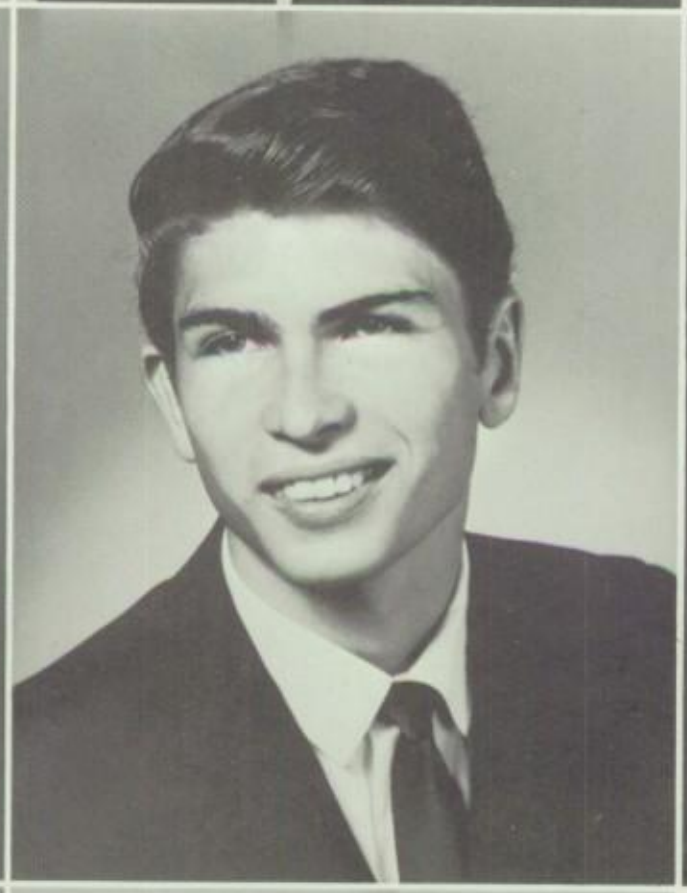
Michelle Rickman
Elaine Schindler
Ronald Schneider
Patricia Schreck



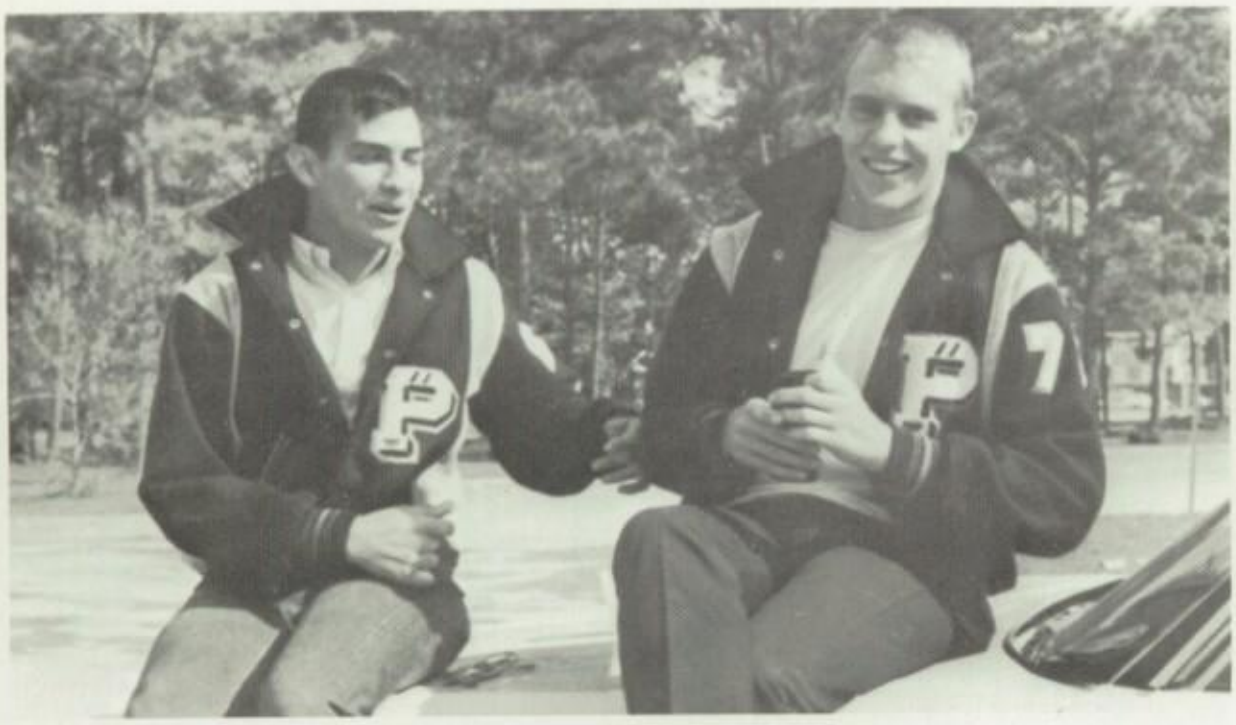
"Don't yell so loud gang, Mike's asleep!"

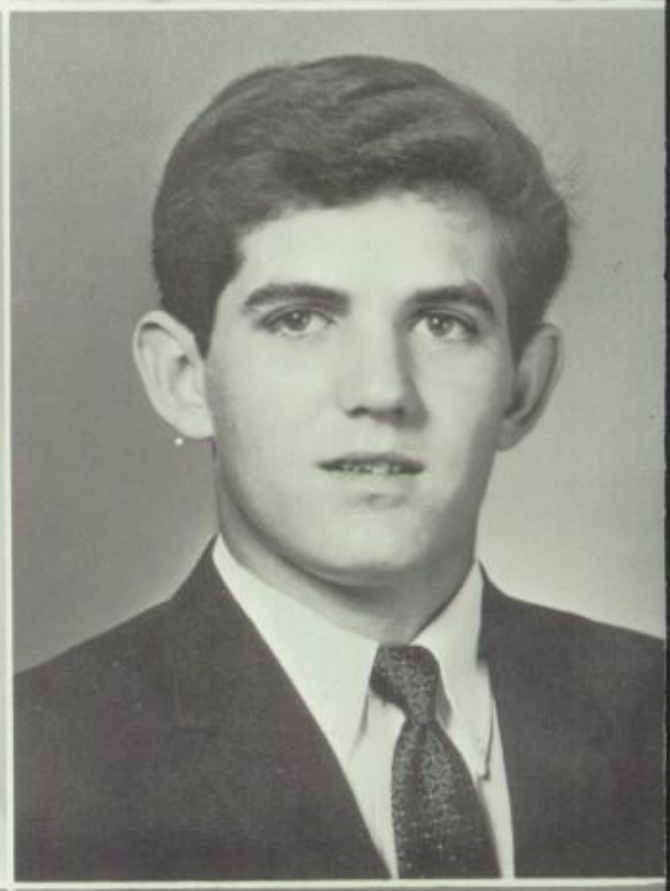


Ruth Schultea

Terry Sienkiewich

If that car drives off, boys, you've had it!





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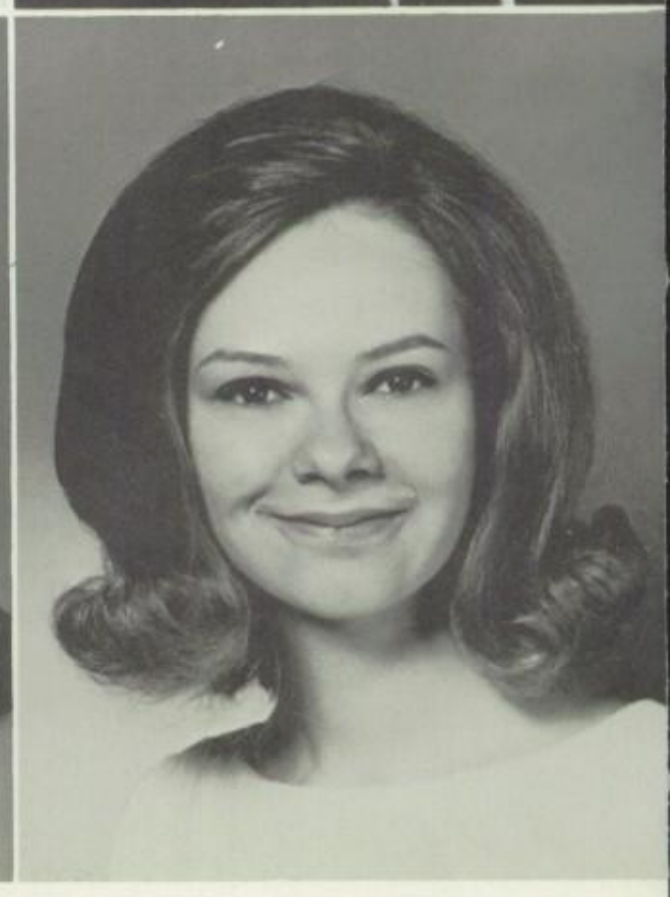
Helen Sofka
Mary Stegent
Patrick Stepchinski
Eddie Stoppelberg



Regina Sivcoski

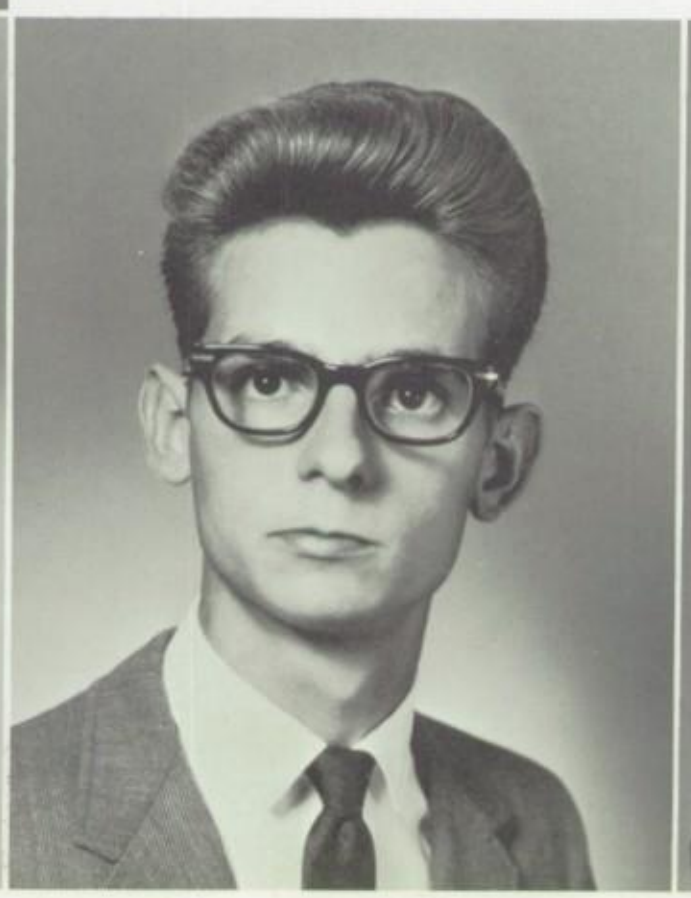
George Sokol

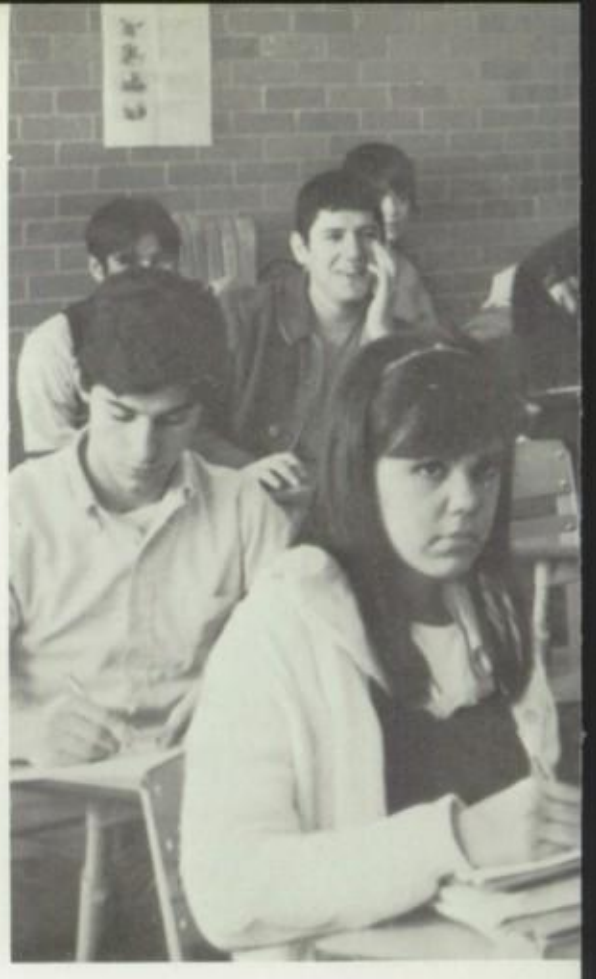
Loritta Snider

Janice Snow

Kevin Snow

Mary Ann Sralla





Karen Straub

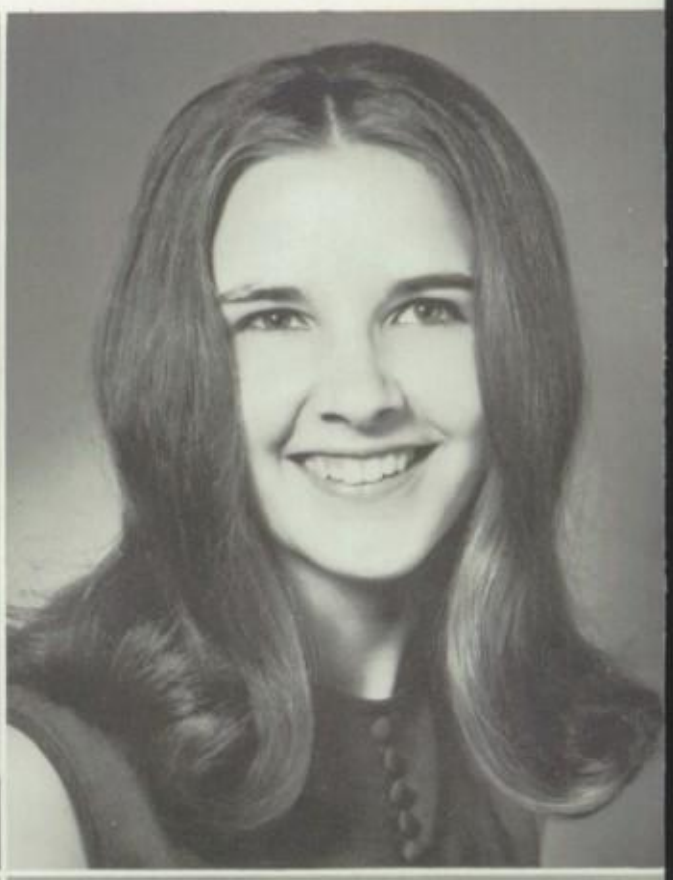
Ver-ry in-ter-est-ing.

Richard Suter
John Tallent
Elizabeth Telotta
Nancy Tilotta
Beverly Vanek

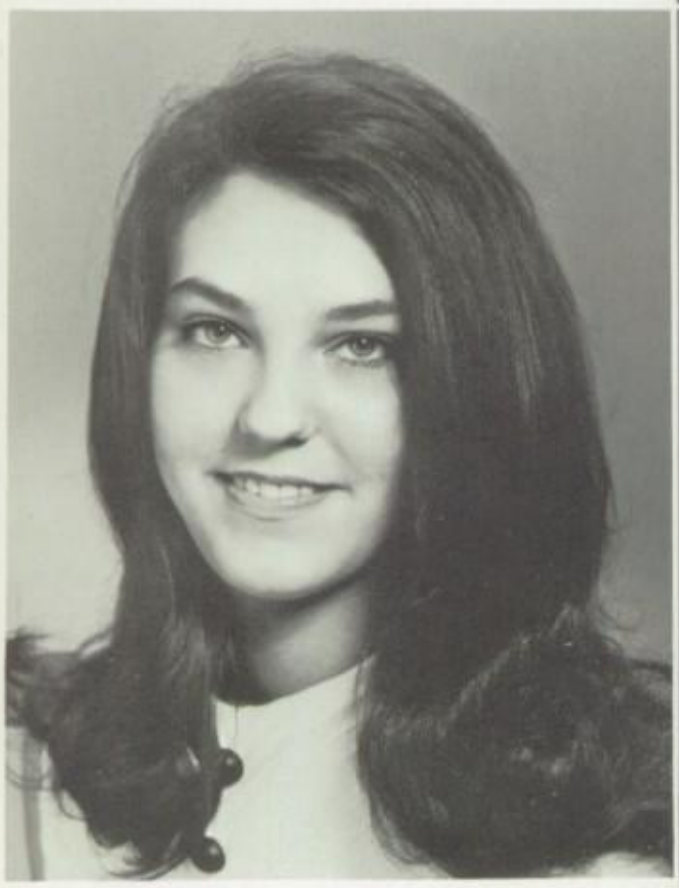
Utter concentration and extreme perseverance is typical of any senior class.

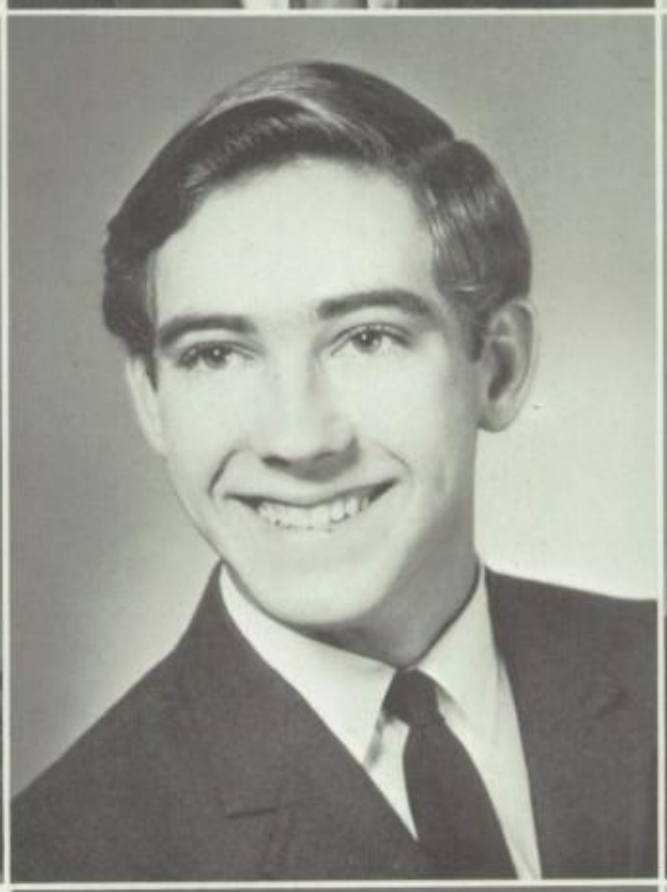
Donny Strauss
Frances Stuckly
Chris Tamborella
Patricia Tarnowski

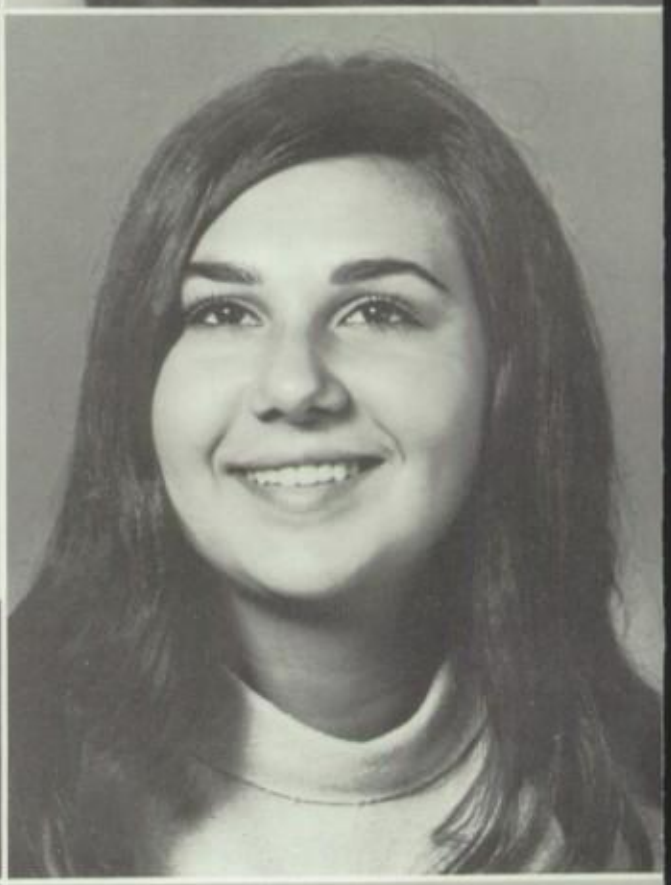
Jerold Walkoviak



Kay Warhol







Bridgette White

Mary Willgus

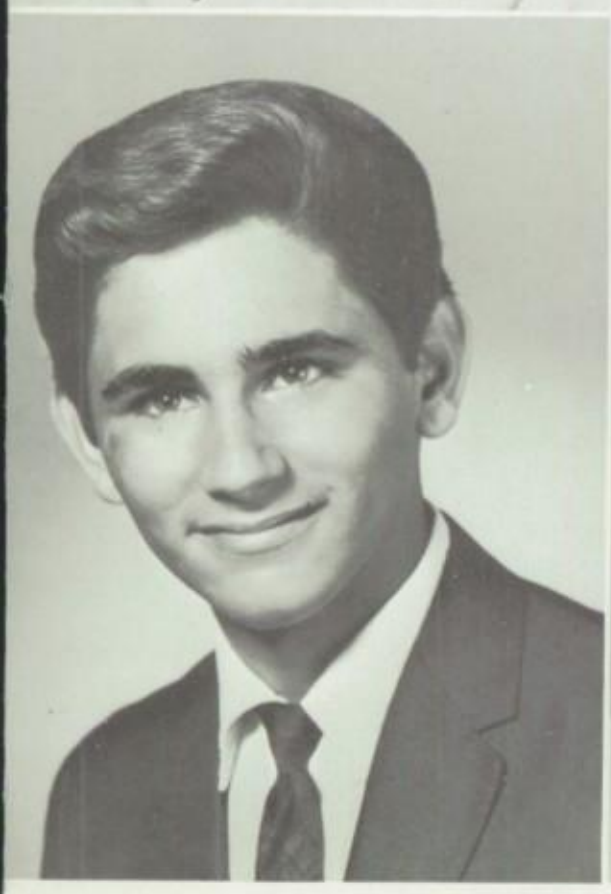
Karl Wolff

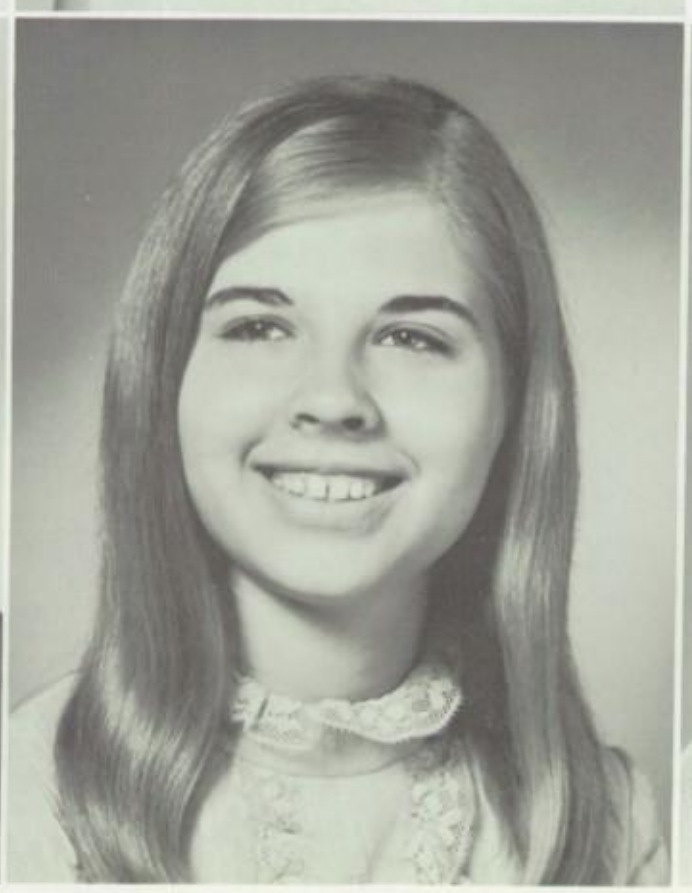
Marilyn Zawacki

Mary Zientek

As usual, Seniors spend their spare time in serious study?

Jackie Warzon
David Wendt
Susan Werner
Charlotte Williams
Barbara Wise



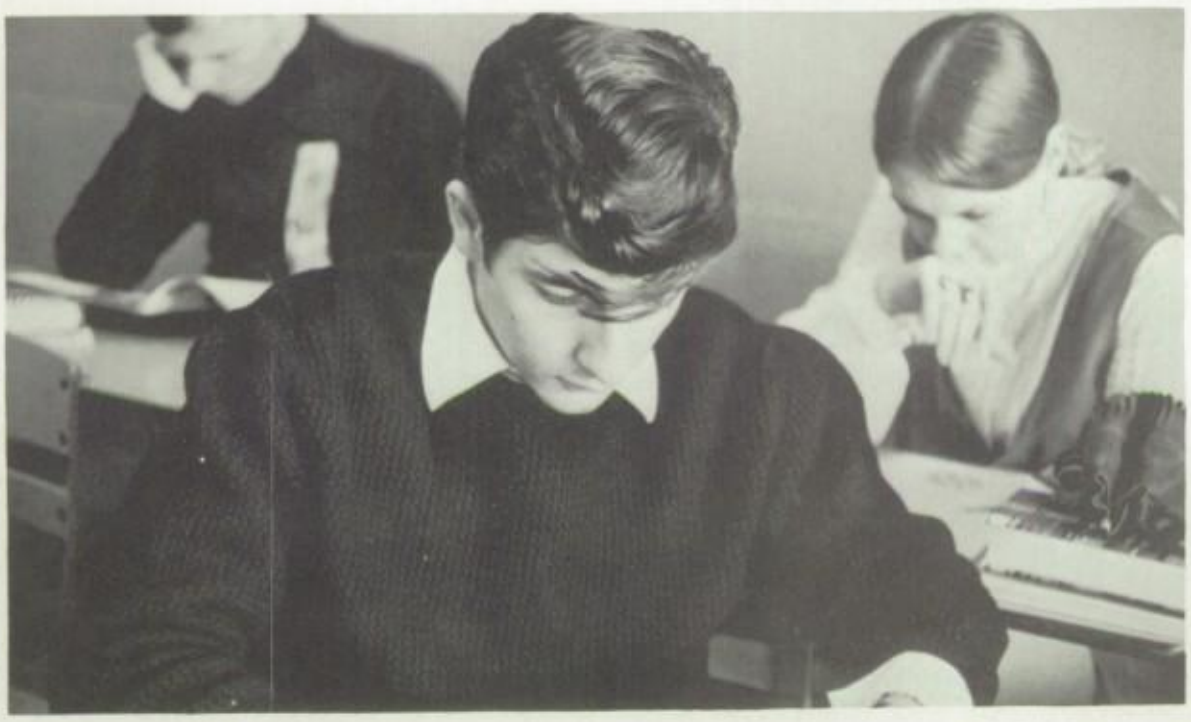


Exchange Student Studies Here

He came. He saw. He conquered. Julius Caesar, maybe? No, a fellow Roman. . .Enrico Ippolliti.

Rico came from Rome, Italy on August 15, 1968 bringing with him all that is European. He is dark, handsome, and familiar with an older culture yet full of young ideas.

But it was not an easy year for Rico. It was a lonely year, a frustrating year. Yet it was also a year to learn, to make new friends and to discover that people are people everywhere. We taught him some things, he taught us many others.



Now Rico is gone. Yet we remember his patience, his smiles, his differences, and his sameness. Maybe he remembers us too.

Seniors Sponsor Various Activities

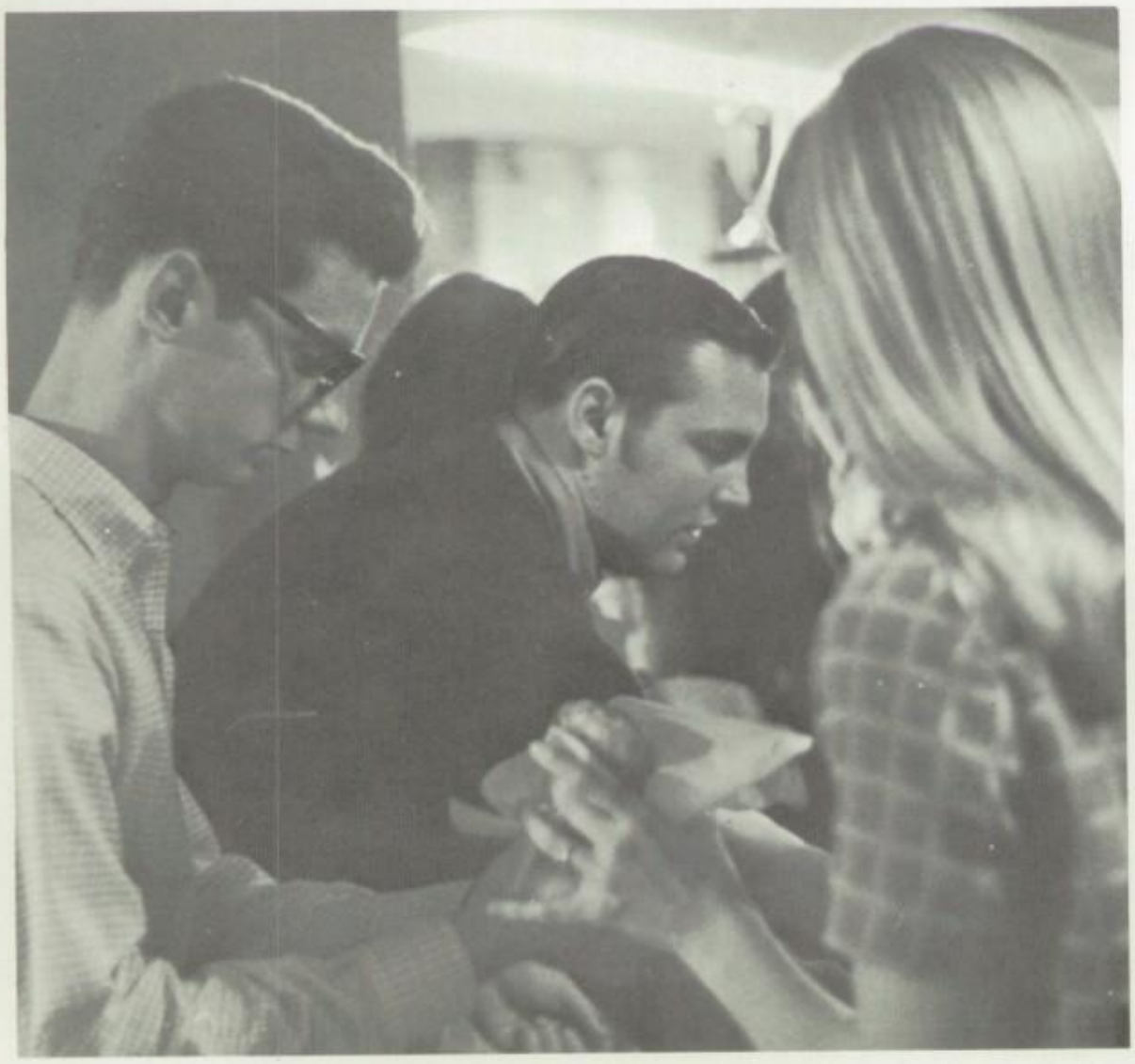
In November there was the tug-o-war: lots of mud, lots of shouting, lots of smiles. And when homeroom 209 was declared the victor, ecstasy abounded.

". . . .and a football, and a tricycle, and a. . . ."

Left: Senior Mike Cheyney expresses his school spirit playing the part of Old St. Nick.

"Pssst, Mary Januhowski, start wearing cleaner jeans!"

The Senior Car wash started off with a bang!!



Ye Olde Senior bakeshop offers the holiest donuts in town.

"Decisions, decisions. . . ."

Brandywine and Diamonds

CAST

Inspector J. J. McCool ..... Richard Suter
Alice O'Neal ..... Vicky Christian
Arnold Ogletree ..... Darnell Darbonne
Mrs. Ogletree ..... Mary Willgus
Frederick R. Pendlerot, III ..... Walter Dorsey
Aunt Tilly O'Neal ..... Kathleen Okruhlik
Thomas T. Thomas ..... Harvey Diehl
Mrs. Thomas ..... Gloria Cykala
Chief Lasagne ..... Enrico Ippoliti
Secretaries ..... Ginny Ragar
Mary Klovenski
Killer ..... Mike Cheyney
Victim ..... Ed Herrera
Ambulance Driver ..... Mike O'Donnell
Ambulance Crew ..... James Hobizal
Kevin Reddy

A Mystery-Comedy

by

Jimmy Batt & Hugh LeVrier

Ed Herrera died laughing!!

After 225 hours of practice, the cast and crew are all smiles to see their final production come to an end.

What's a mother to do?

Justice prevails as the villian is finally apprehended.

Revenge is sweet for Mr. Thomas.

Can Mr. Thomas tell us about his box?

Left: Following the Premiere, Seniors and their dates gathered to discuss the success of the play.

Senior Prom Highlights

Year's Activities

Incensed by the music.

You may now kiss the bride.

Now watch me pull a rabbit out of my hat.

Concentration.

May 16, 1969

What a night!

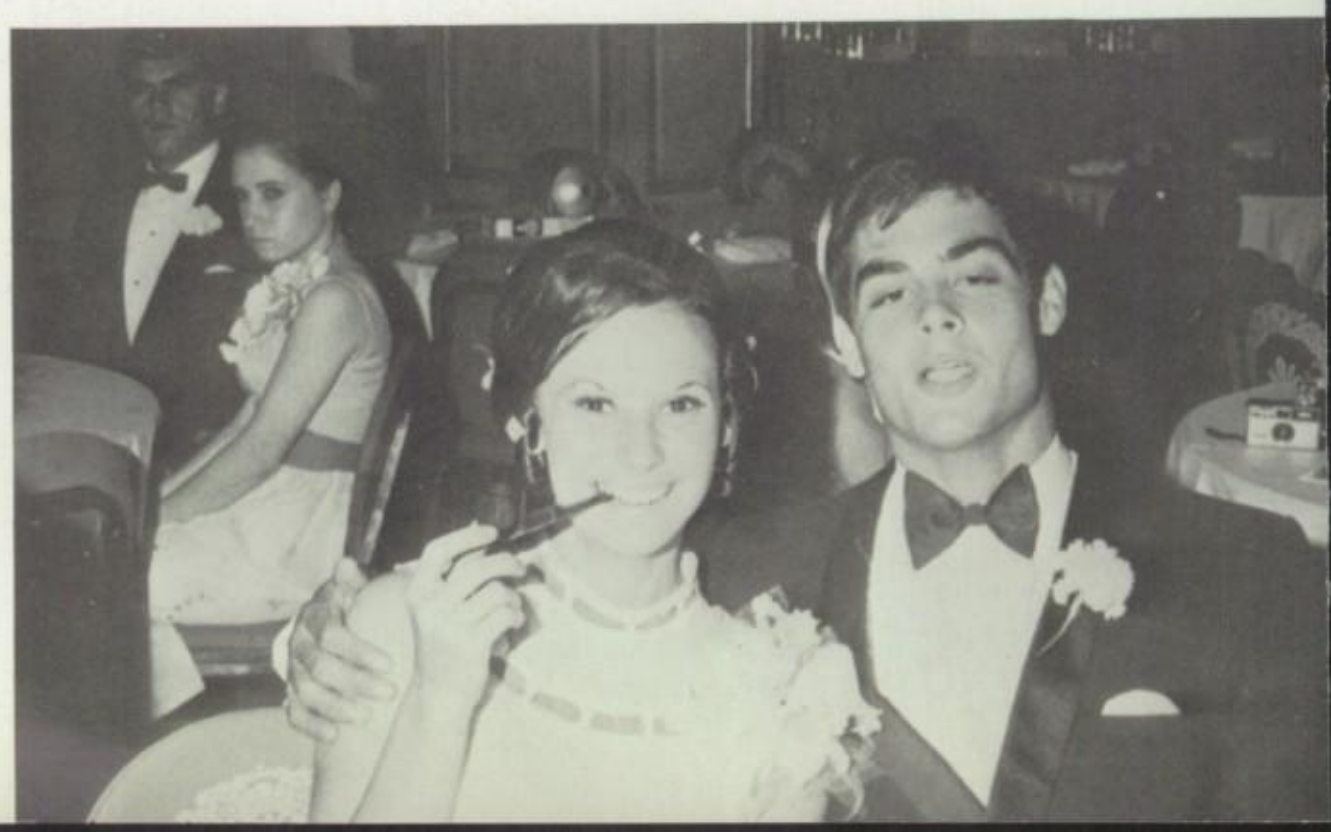
Look out, I'm gonna sneeze!

Some are more interested in taking pictures.

Could it be my breath?

Dance on Seniors.

Oh what a Junior-Senior relationship!



"Karen, got those salt-shakers?"

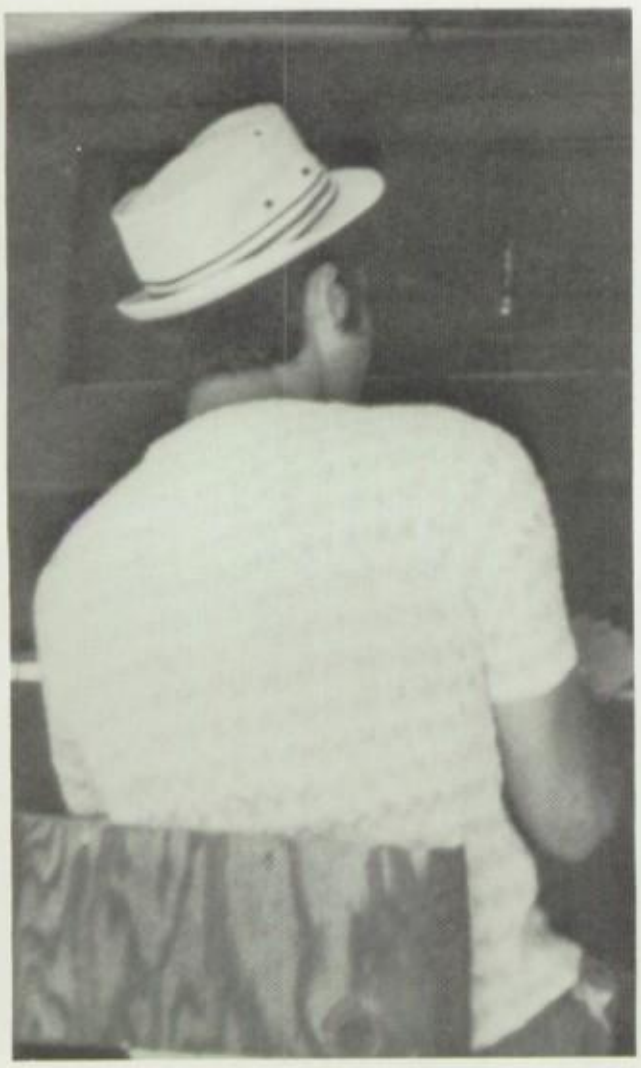
"I wonder if I tied my shoe?"

"Is everybody happy?"

Seniors Trip

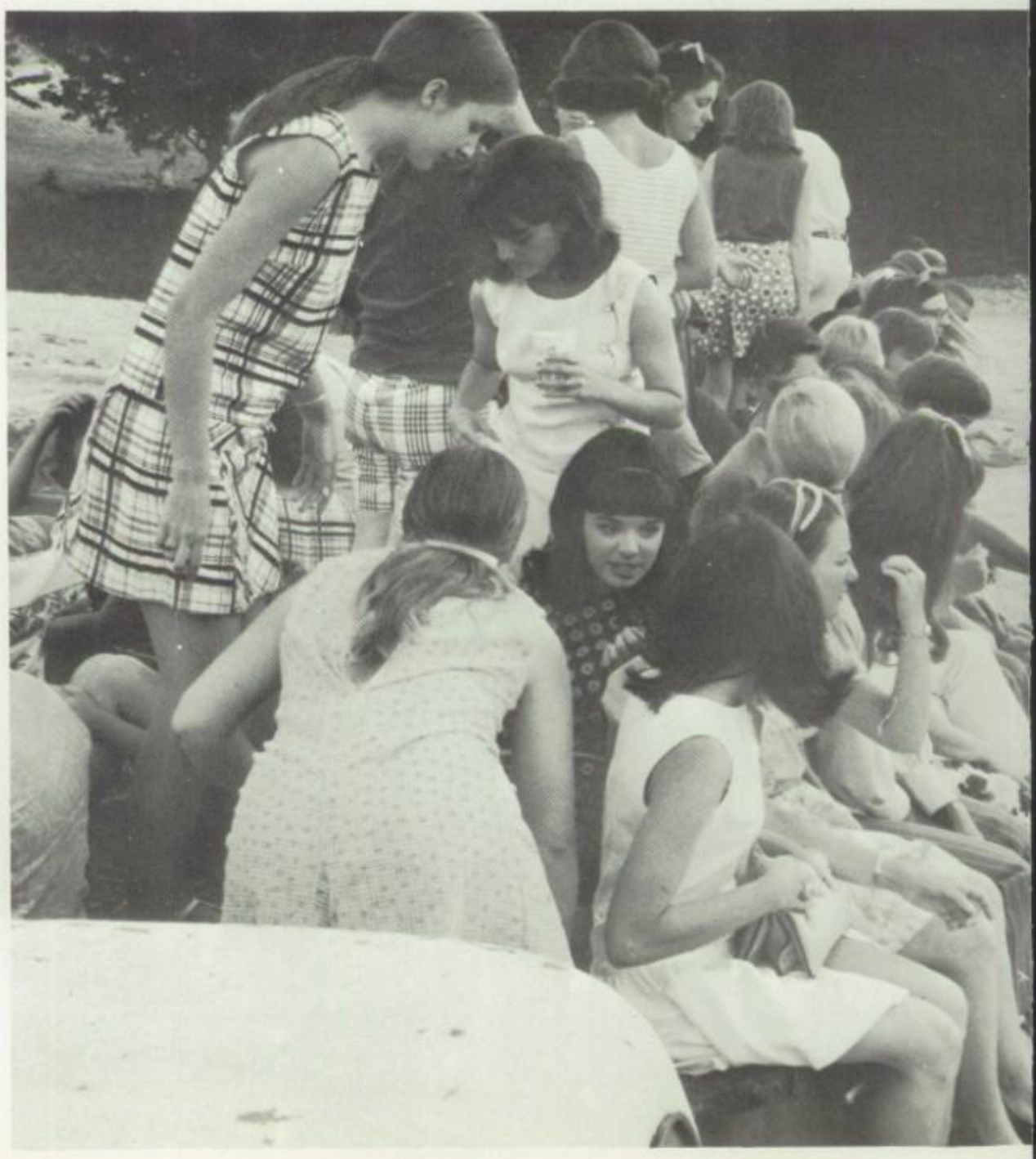
The beginning. . .

What a group.



"Liberace"

Everybody get situated.



To Bandera For A Day

Injun's on the warpath!

Too much to drink?

A wishing well?

Can-can girls for the roaring '60's?

A typical Karen Straub!

Mommie!

This is the life!

What's wrong Tommy?

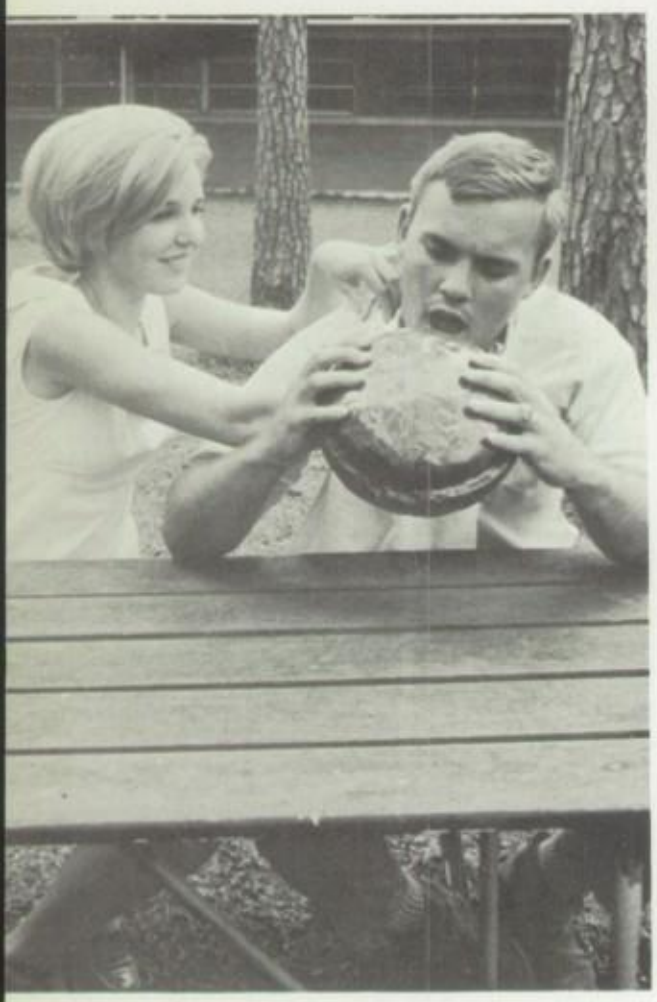
The end.

Personalities Plus

MOST BEAUTIFUL—Vicky Christian

MOST HANDSOME—Gary Mende

MOST COMICAL—
Karen Straub
Mike Cheyney



BEST ACTORS—
Vicky Christian
Walter Dorsey

MOST DEPENDABLE—
Kathleen Okruhlik
Richard Suter

MOST STUDIOUS–
Kathleen Okruhlik
Pat Stepchinski

MOST LIKELY TO BE RICH–
Francie Fischer
Tommy Marek

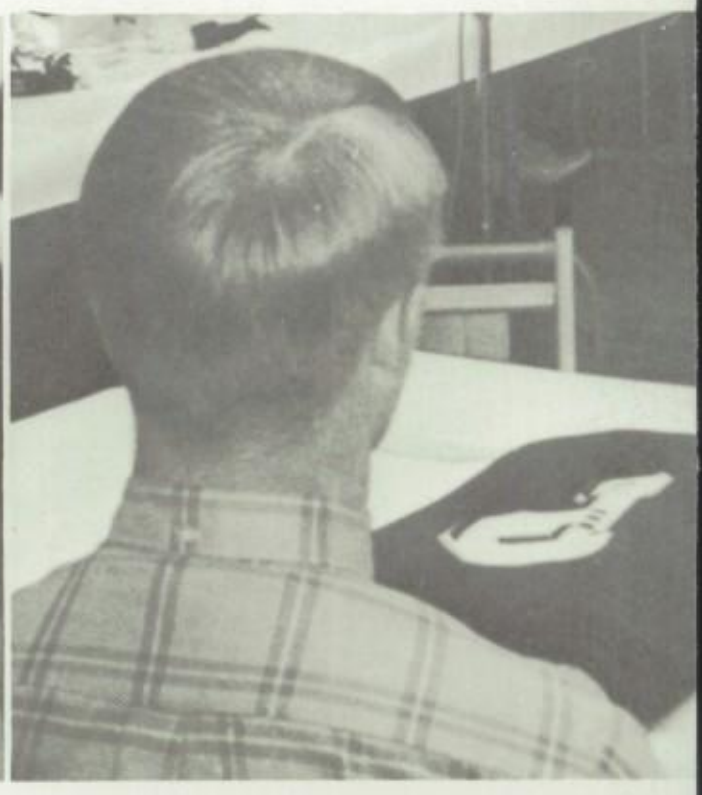
BEST DRESSED–
Marilyn Zawacki
Anthony Licea

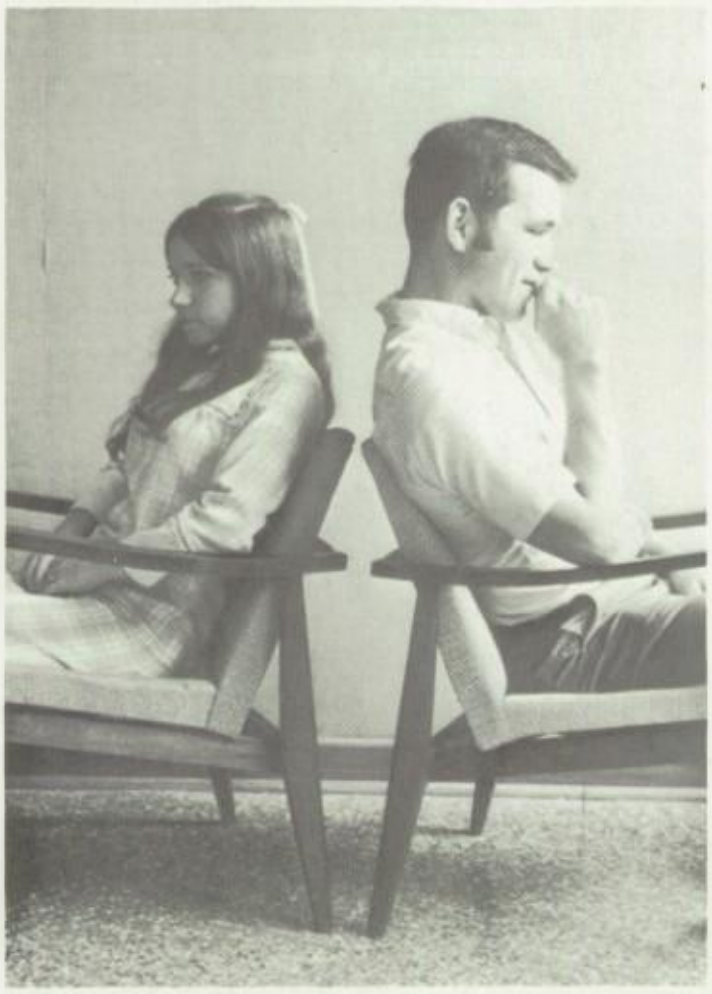
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED–
Kathleen Okruhlik
Richard Suter

MOST DARING–
Dale Pollack
John Tallent

MOST ATHLETIC–
Bernie Garay
Mike Reddy

MOST LIKELY TO
MARRY FIRST–
Jennifer Rizzotto
John Marek





MOST BASHFUL
Larry Goins
Judy Emmons

MOST REPRESENTATIVE–
Gloria Cykala
Richard Suter

MOST RELIGIOUS–
Janis Navarro
Archie Hayes

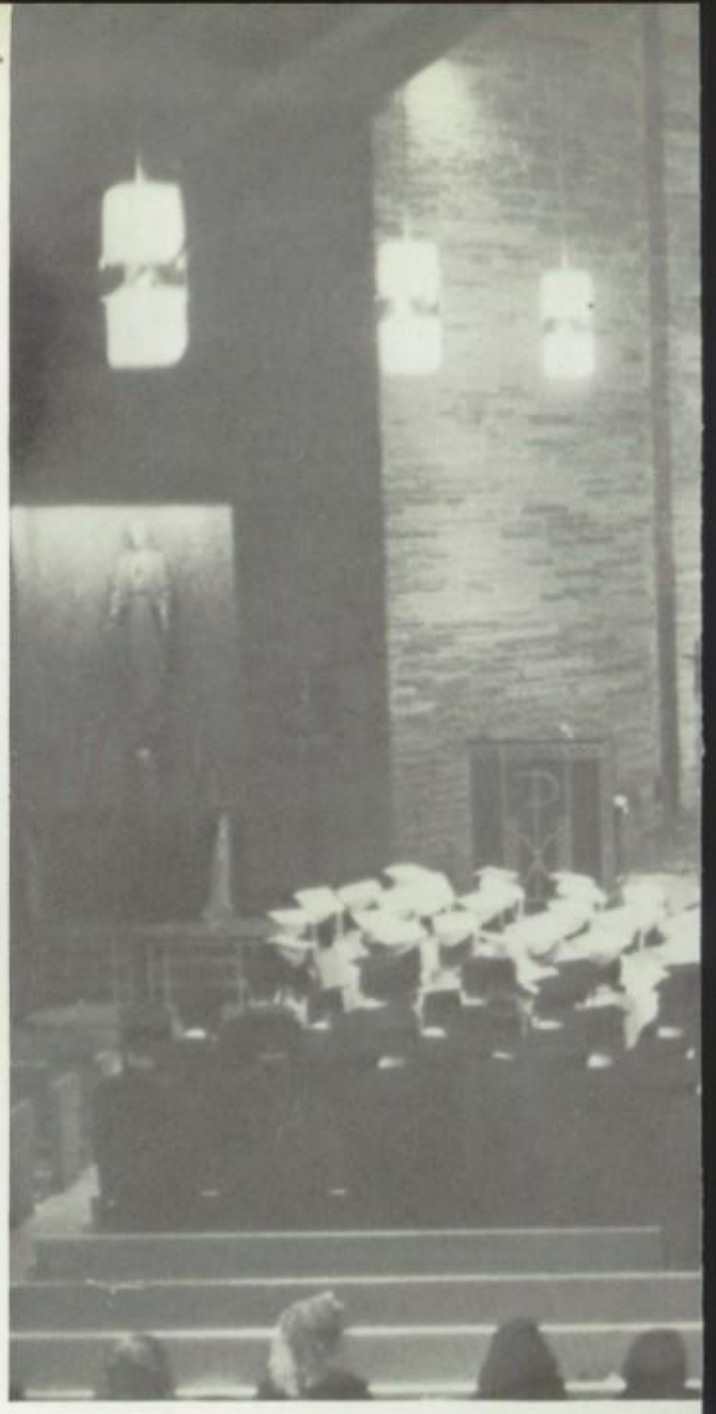
MOST COURTEOUS–
Nancy Holub
Walter Dorsey

MOST ARTISTIC–
Dale Pollack
Pat Bielamowicz

BEST DANCERS–
Debbie Collins
Anthony Licea

MOST POPULAR–
Mike Cheyney
Debbie Groll

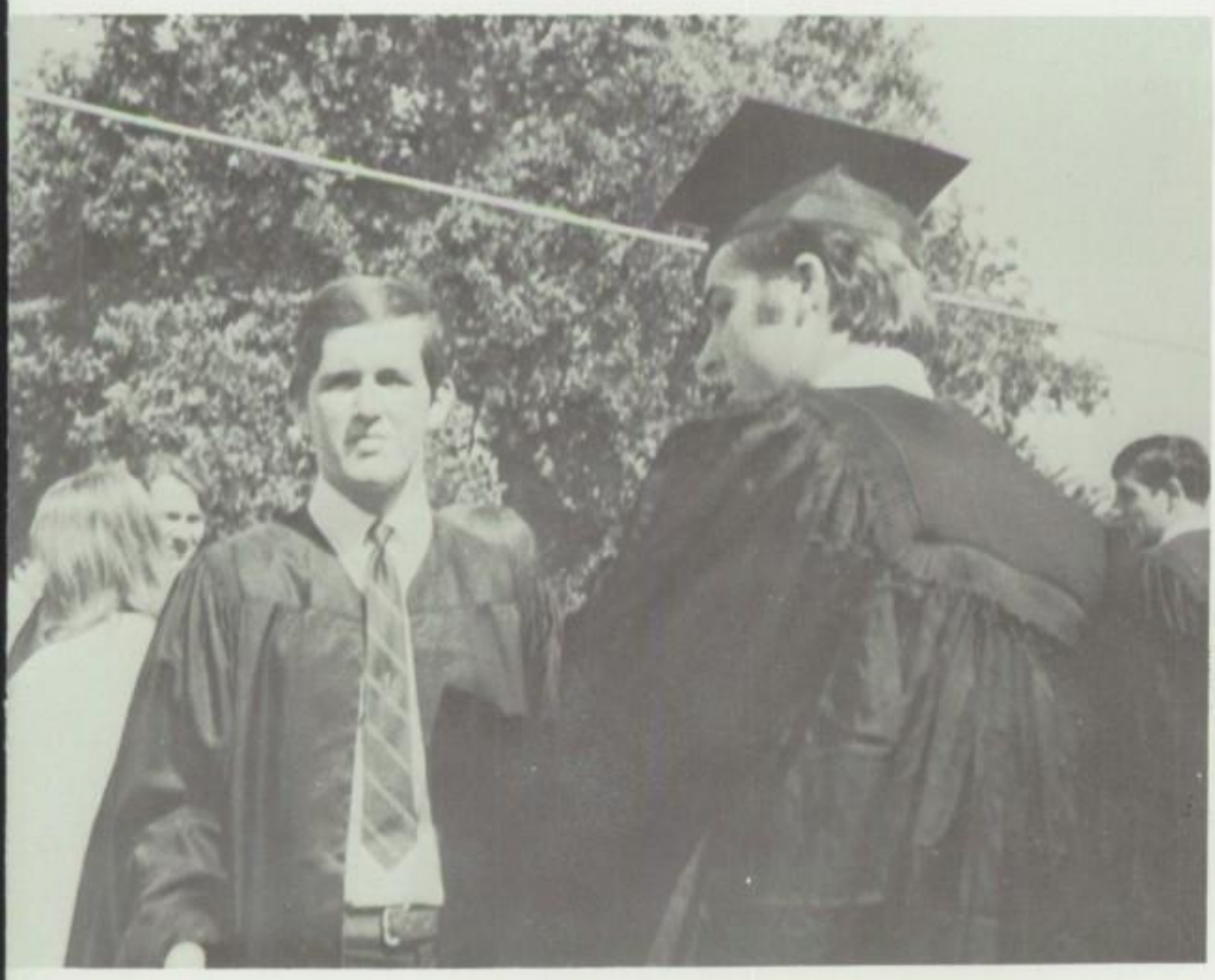
The 1969 Senior Class united together for the last time in the Mass.



Both attentive and impatient the graduates await the presentation of the diplomas.

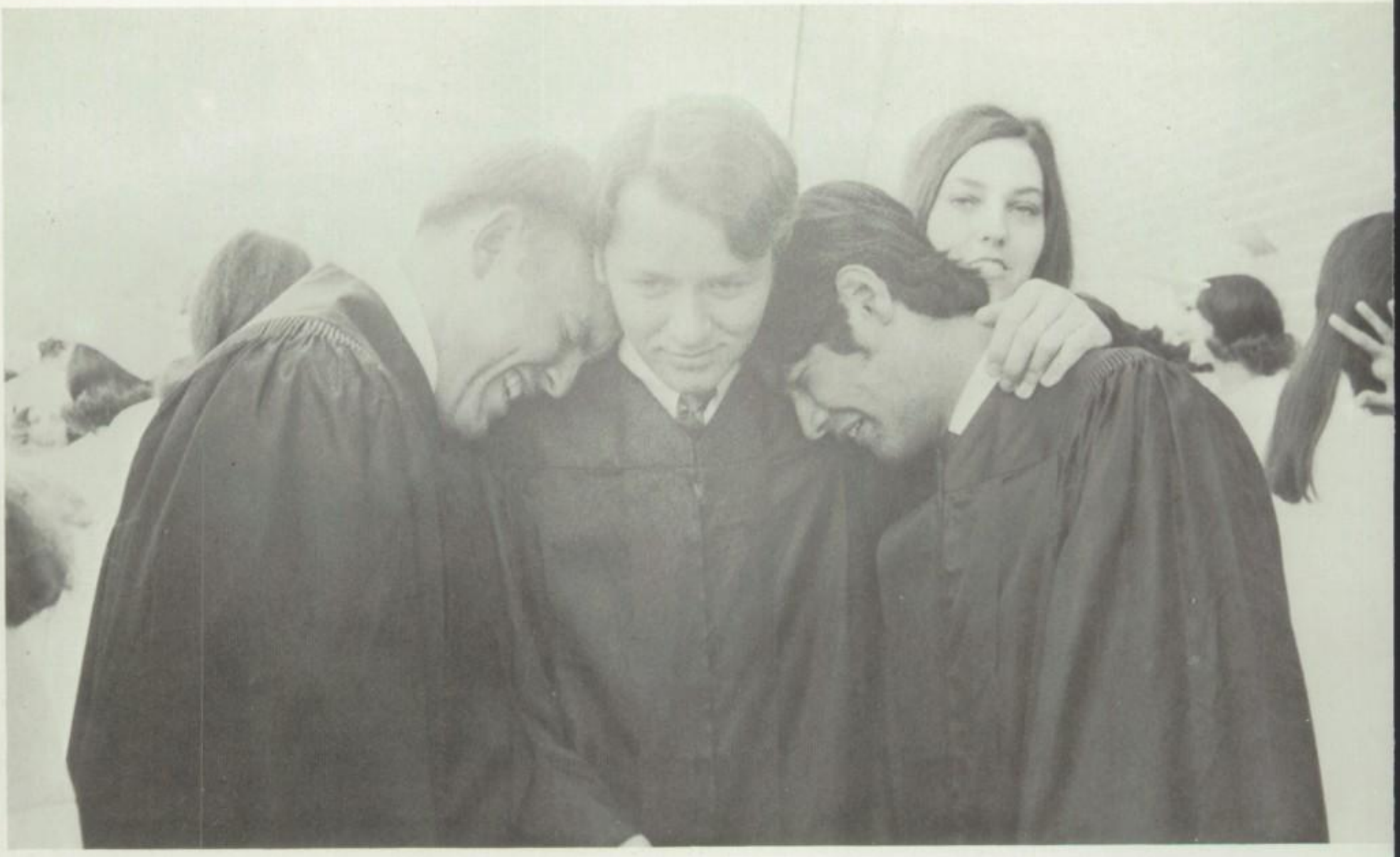
It's all over now.

Ruth receives congratulations after graduation.



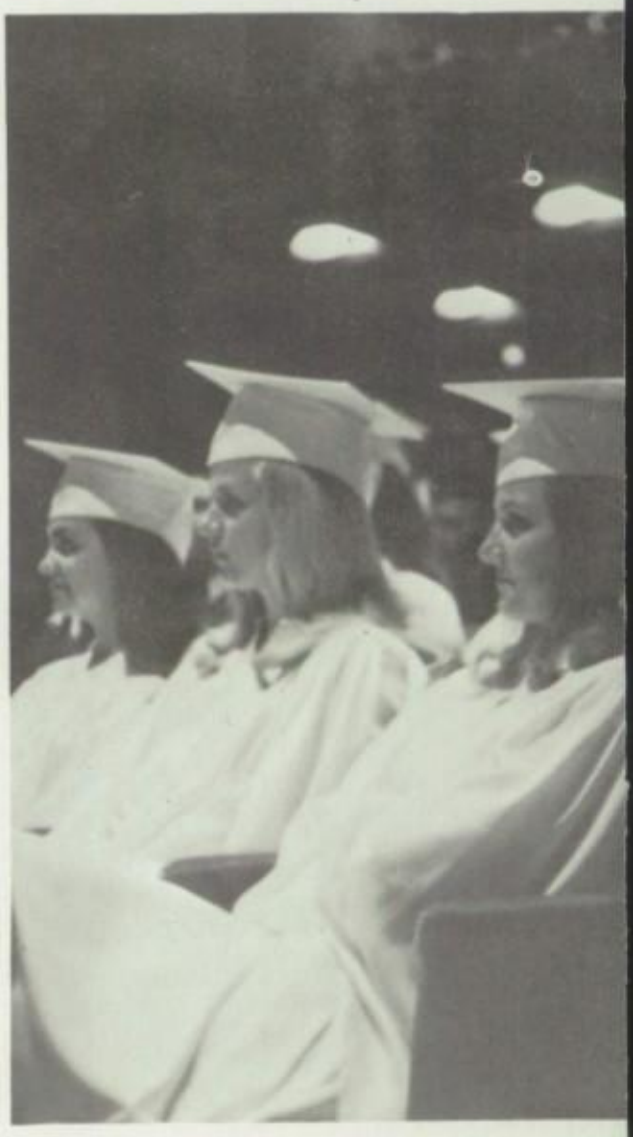
"William Francis Flynn, start wearing cleaner clothes."

'Come on, Shirley, it's not that bad."

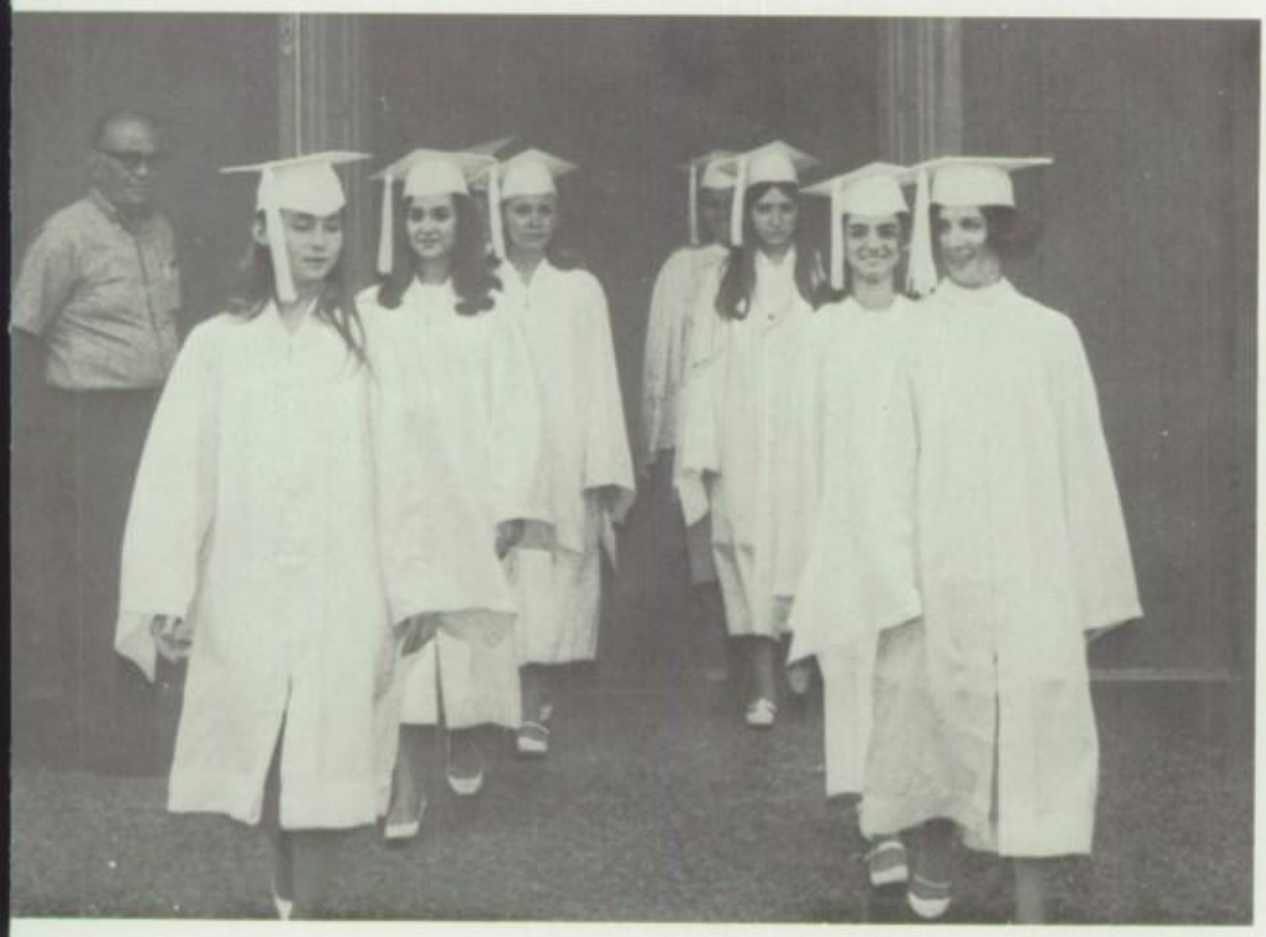


"But, John, we don't want to leave!"

There's one in every crowd.



"Are the M's ever going to come?"



"Hup, two, three, four. . ."

Cathy graciously accepts her diploma.

"Could it be the three Mouseketeers?"

Familiar Faces

Jerry and David cram the last minute before the rugged government exam.

One dash of grated finger.

Man does not live by bread alone.

Humanities Class learn the art of Square Dancing.

Billy doesn't seem too thrilled about Sister Lavergne's "joke."

They were a studious group, the Seniors.

The yearbook class took time out from their tedious work to enjoy a free meal on Sr. Marguerite.

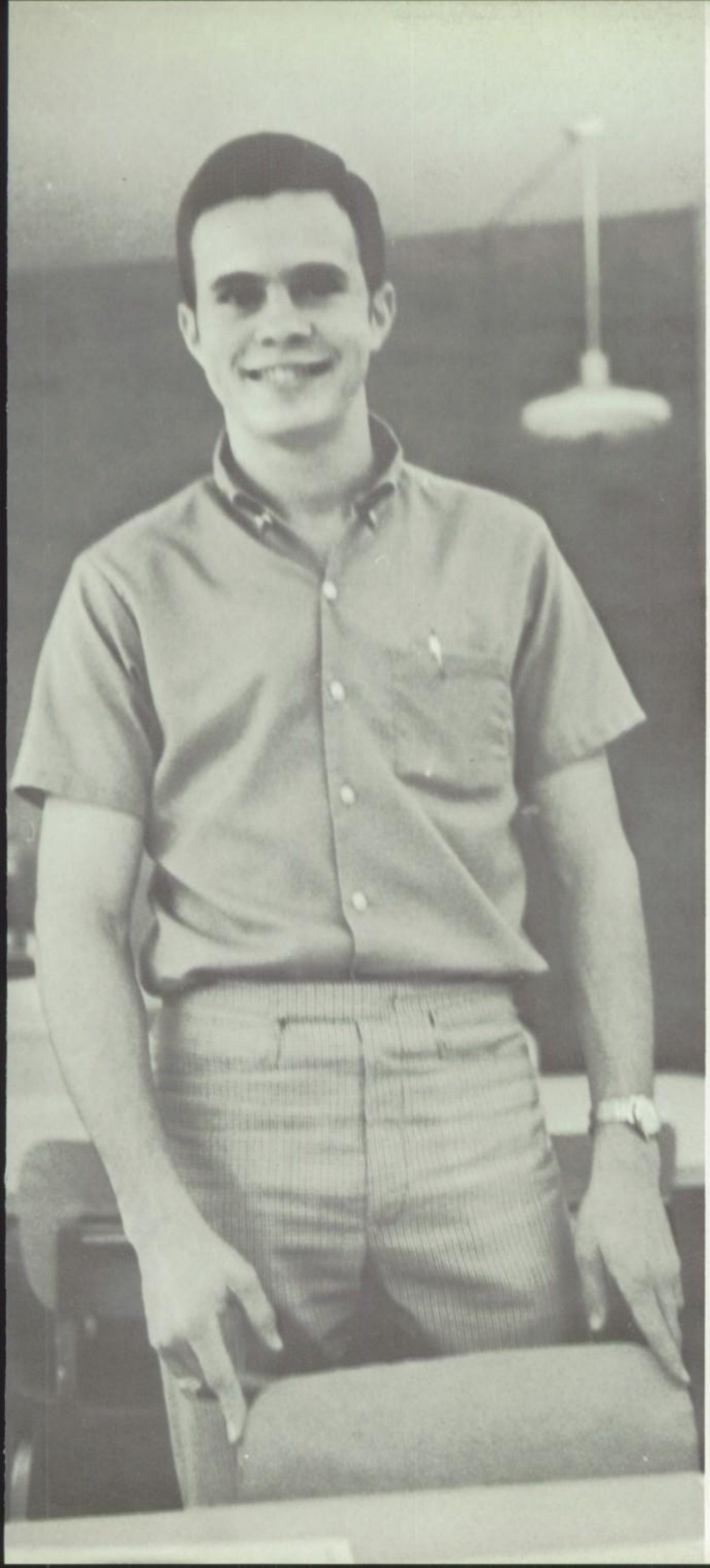
Maturity strikes again!

"...and furthermore..."

"What will you offer me for this fine specimen?"

Twas the night before Christmas and the Speech Class socked it to 'em.

It's a big responsibility being a Senior.



JUNIOR CLASS

Reaching the third step,
You're now an upper classman
Climbing for knowledge.
– Cathy Lewandowski

In choosing Senior rings the Juniors realize the seriousness of the fast approaching Senior year.

Sheila Albert
Richard Alexander
Gary Andrews

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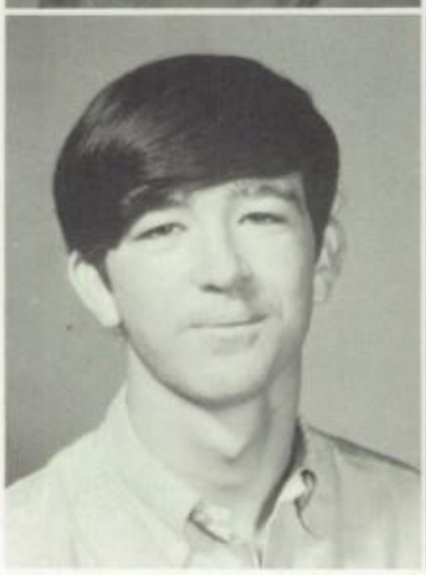
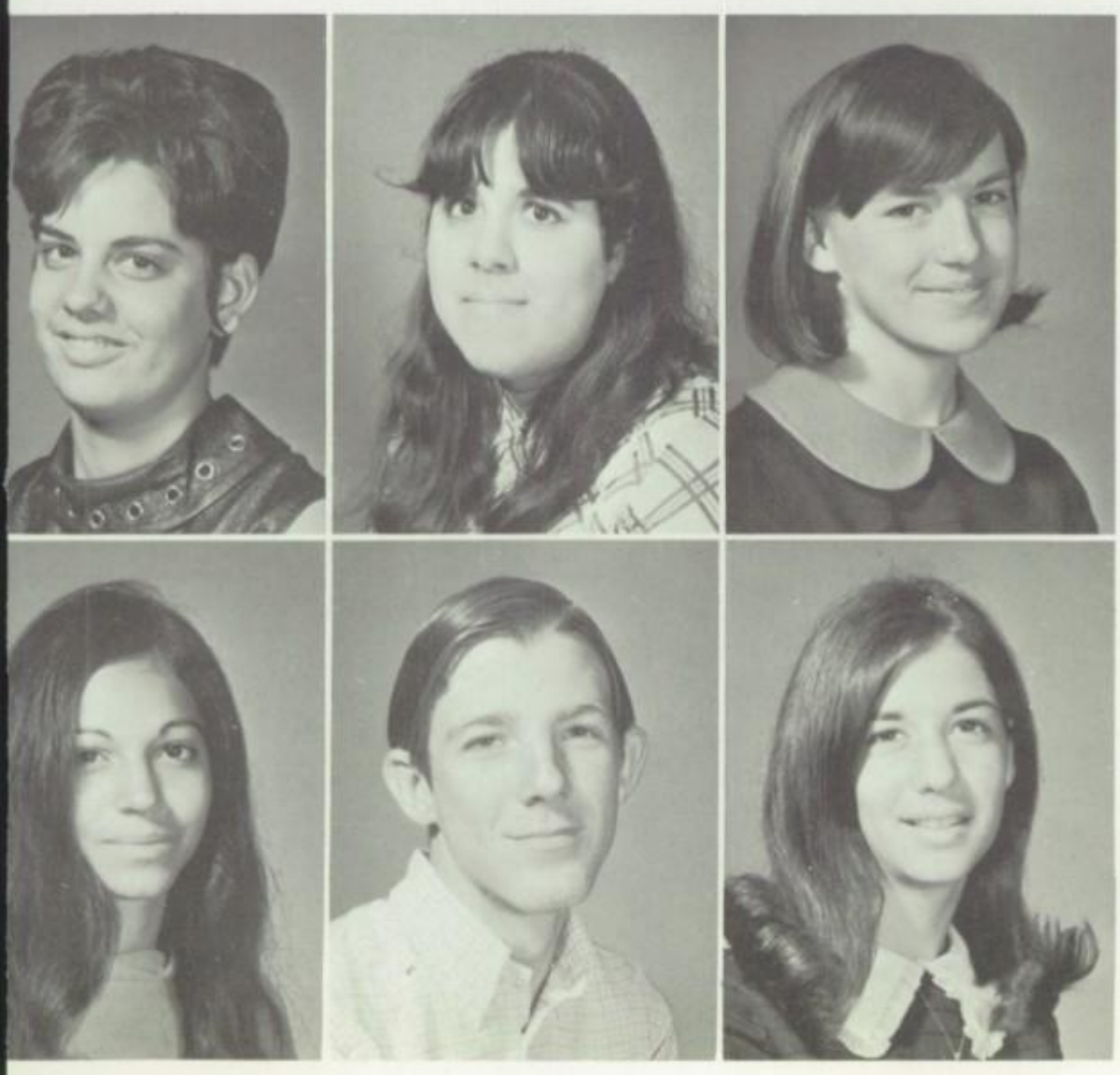
Steve Angeli
Mary Aquiliana
Mike Ashe
Pat Biondillio
Barbara Borski
Judy Busa
James Campise
Lynn Cantu



David Bancroft
Carlotta Barnes
Cecilia Batterbee
Charlotte Carswell
Andrea Cassaro
Mary Casserly

Candy Bernier
Sylvia Biel
Larry Biondillio
Marilyn Celeste
David Cieslewicz
Veda Collette



Terry Collier

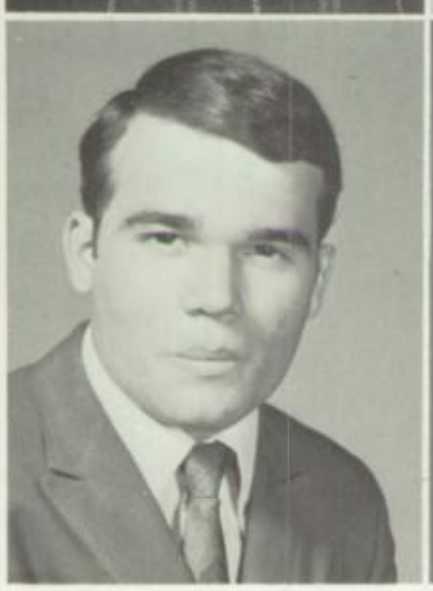
Chris DeJohn

Mike Dimicilla

Pauline Consoli

Joe De Los Santos

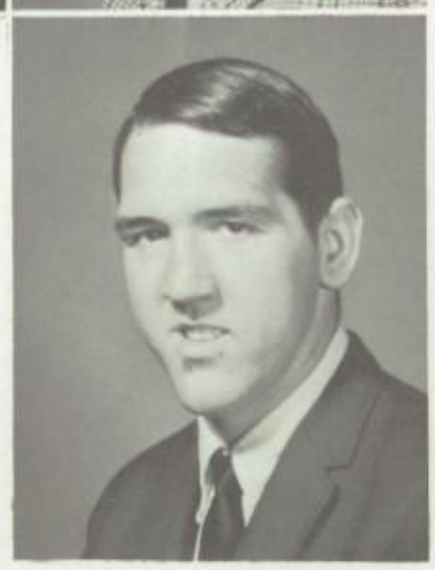
Mary Ann Dybala



Marion Danna

Cinthia Derkowski

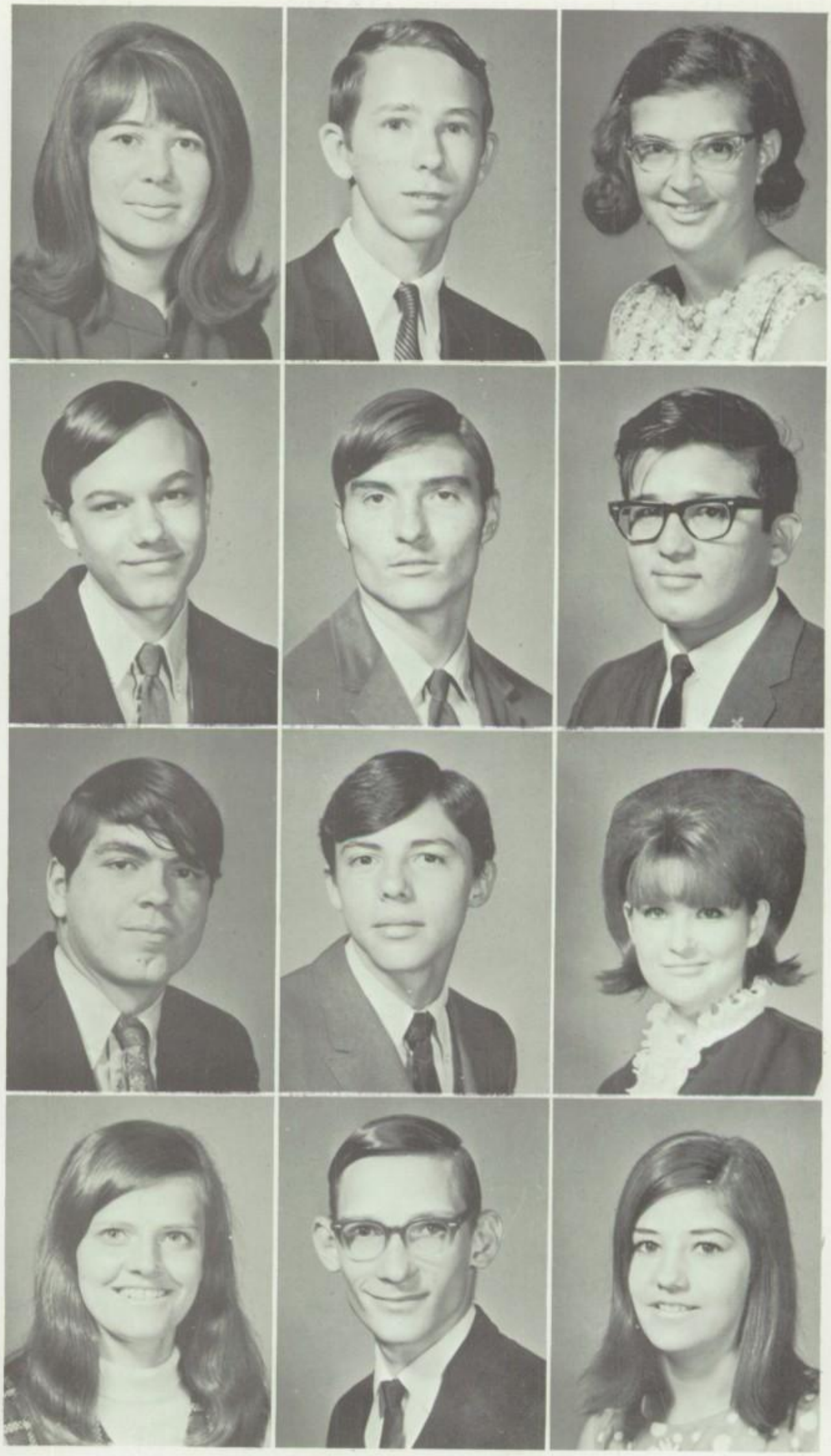
Leslie Edwards



John Everett

Hard working?? Dale and Mary helped to

make the Junior car wash a success.



Mary Fite

John Galla

Ronnie Gonzales

Dale Halloran

David Fotjik

Kenneth Gibson

Danny Greenwood

Ronald Hamala

Jeanne Frank

Louis Gonzales

Paula Groves

Charlene Hawthorne

Veda and a microscope calls for a number of helping hands.

Ken Hermis
Mary Kay Hetherington
Charles Hetmaniak
Janice Hill
Dennis Hruby
Sandra Klovenski
Nancy Kominzak
Shirley Krenzinski

Mary Jane Huffstetter
Theresa Hughes
Hacky Ivy
Sandra Jadloski
Eddie Januhowski
Joseph Krolczyk
Bea Lake
Janice Lastovica

Betty Kaderka
Doris Kainer
Richard Kenjura
Charles Kimicik
Walta Kirk
Debbie Landry
Sandra Leggio
Marcia Loprice

"Walta, just who do you think you are—anyhow?"

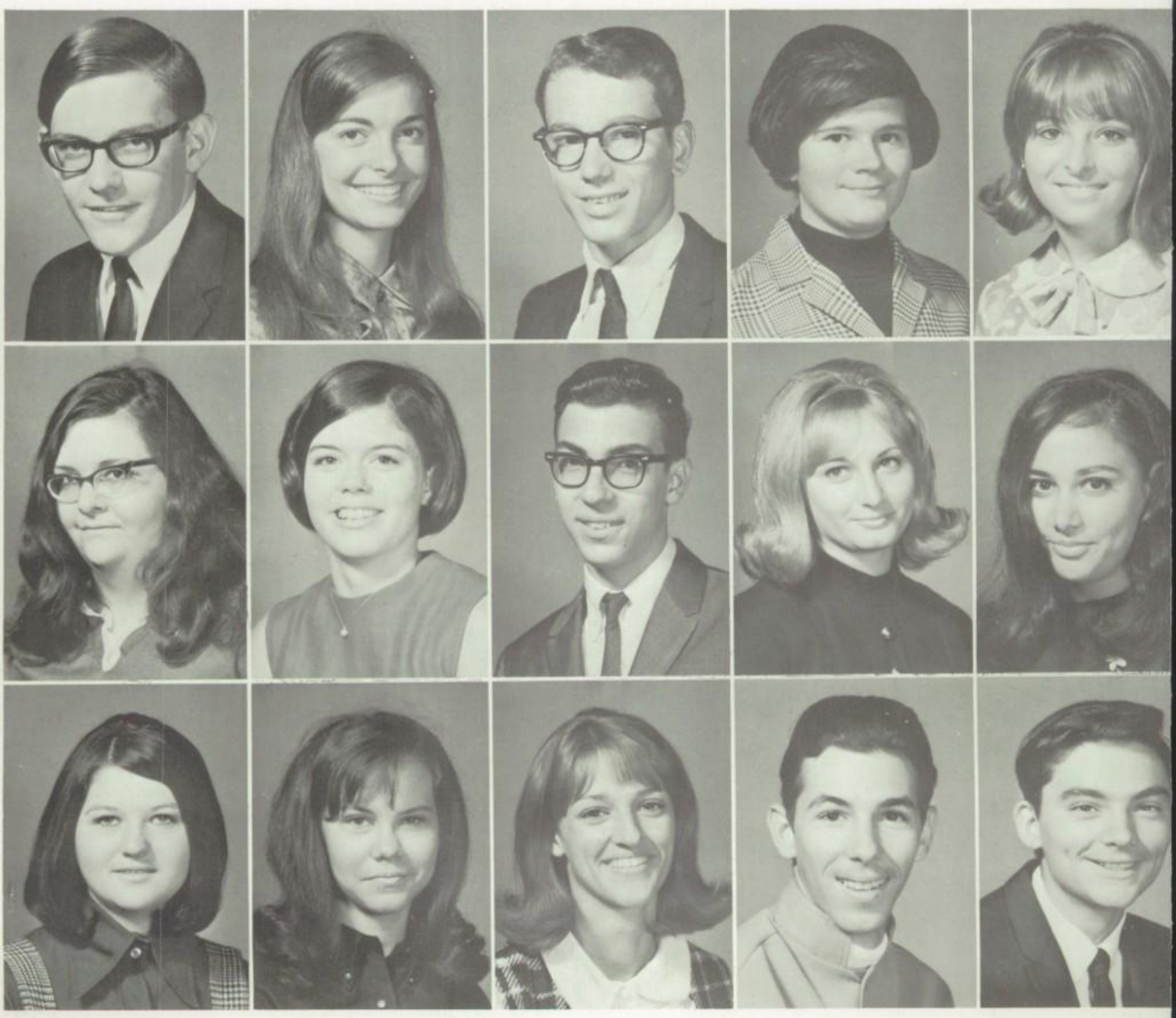
Jim Markowski
Joan Nichols
Susan Parker

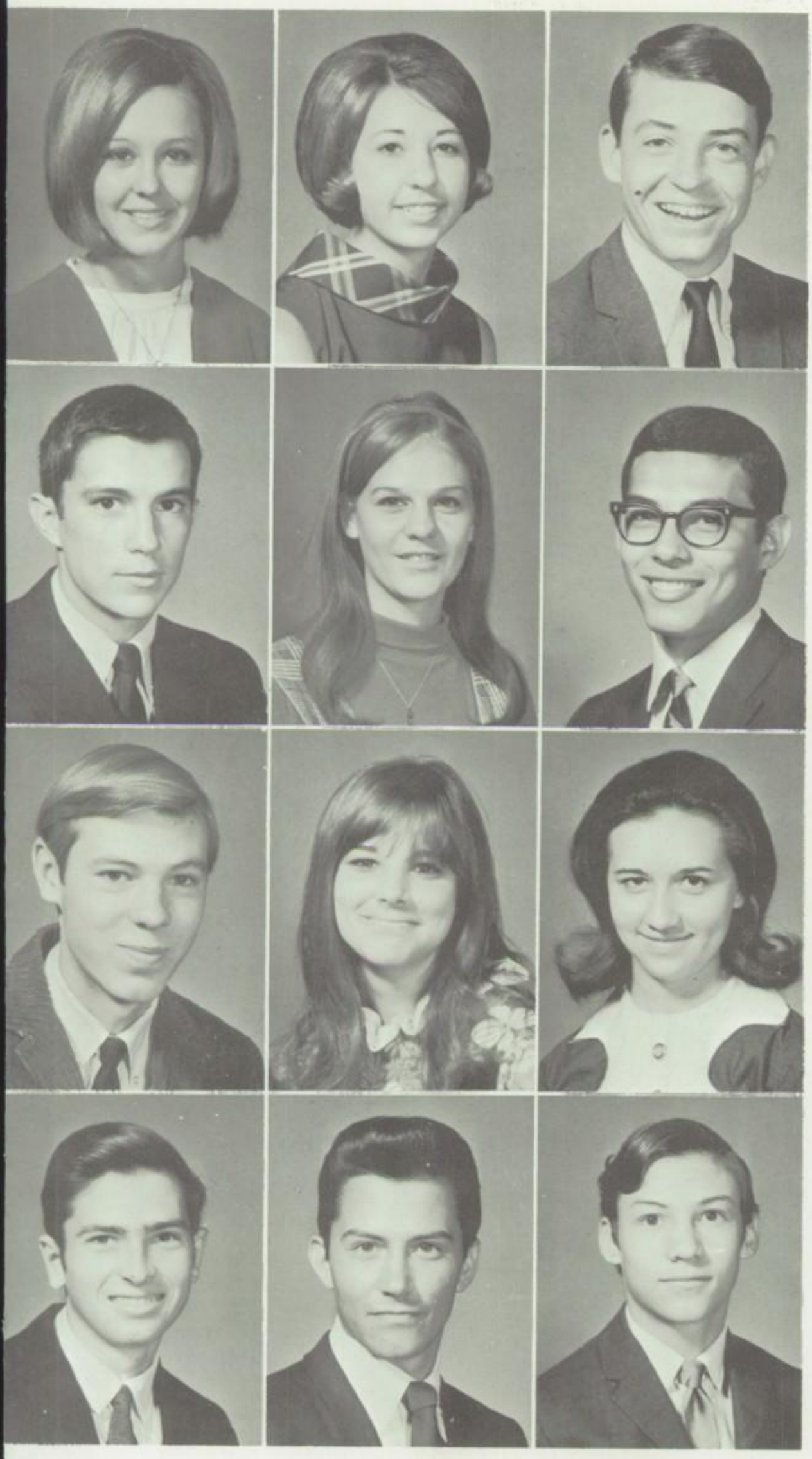
Nancy May
Mary Beth Northey
Patti Partin

Charles Michalak
Angelo Palazzolo
Dianne Pierce

Aline Miller
Darlene Palermo
Anthony Porcarello

JoAnn Muse
Marilyn Paradoski
Billy Post





)ianna Quinn
Kandy Reichle
Kaymond Rubach
Kicky Schineider

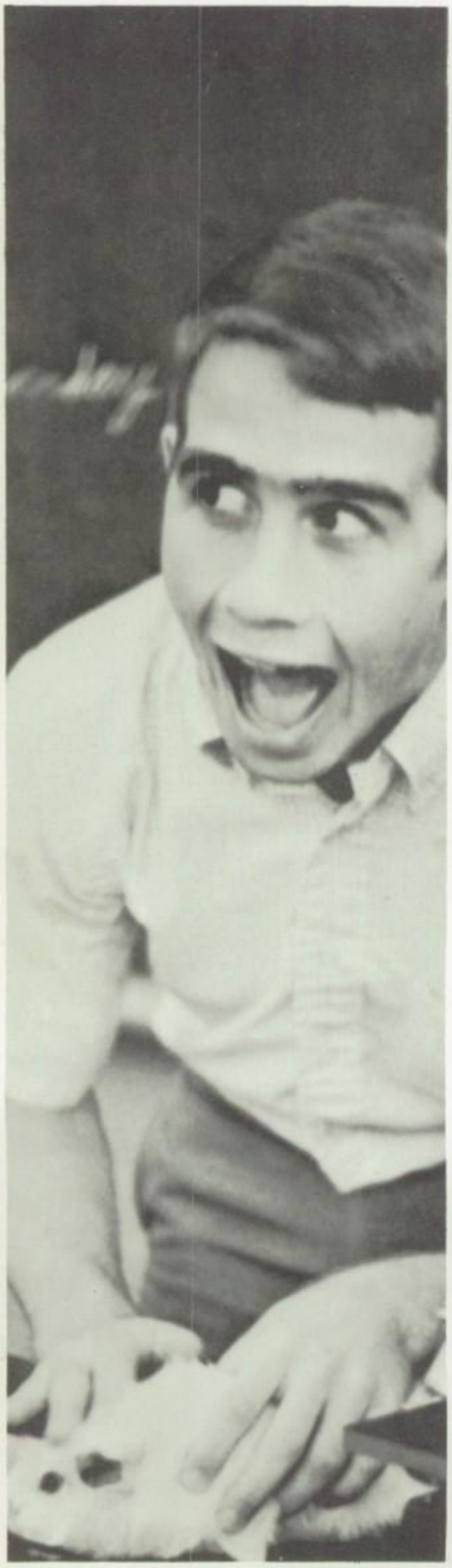
Debbie Quinters
Patty Roig
Margie Ruffino
Larry Shook

Randy Rehm
Mario Rosales
Vickie Salvato
Larry Simmons

"No Cheating, Judy!"

Shirley is still startled at the J-V Victory.

Hack, the mad scientist, displays his latest victim.



Cindy Smith
Lynette Spedale
Charlotte Stalorski
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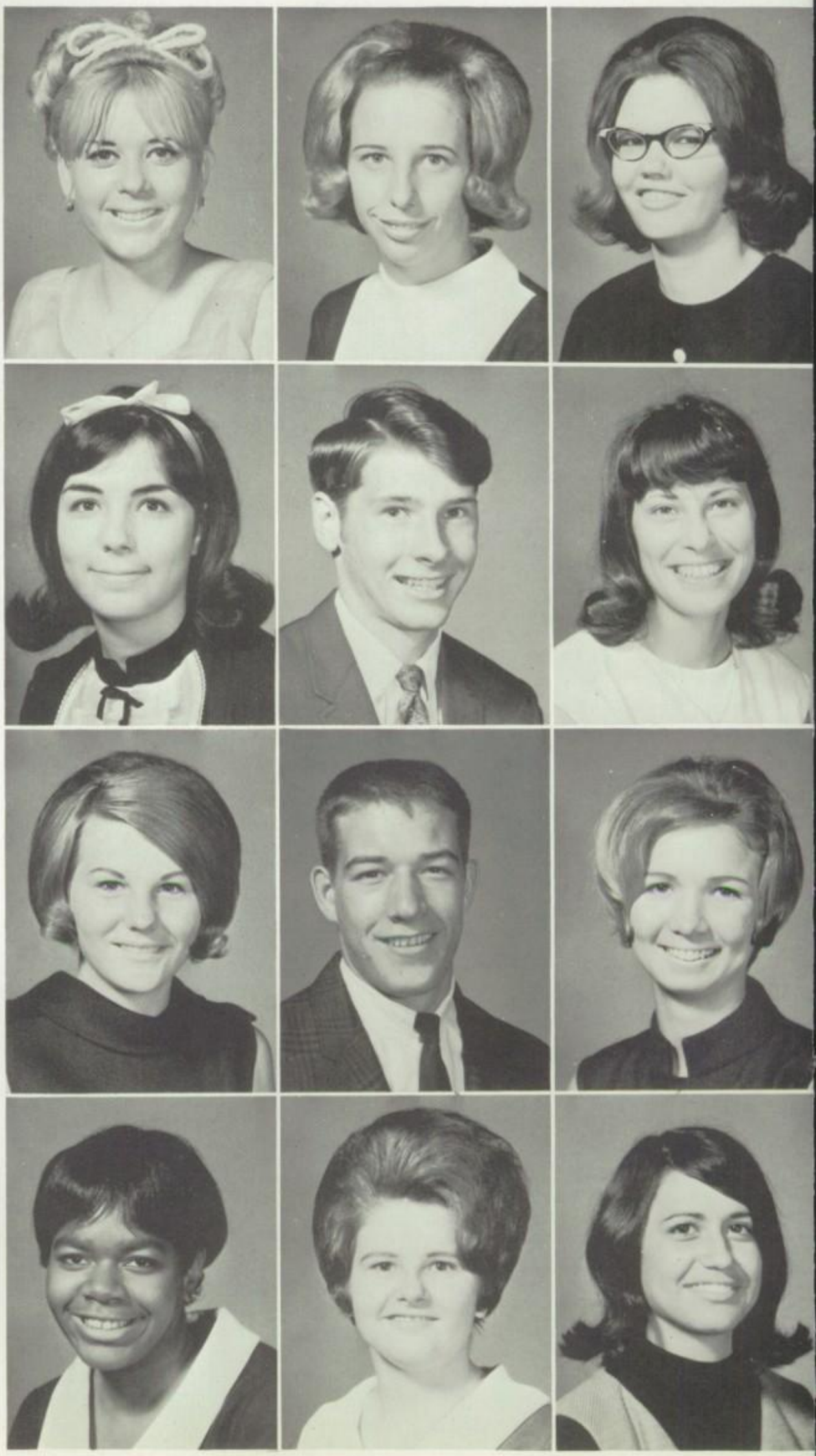
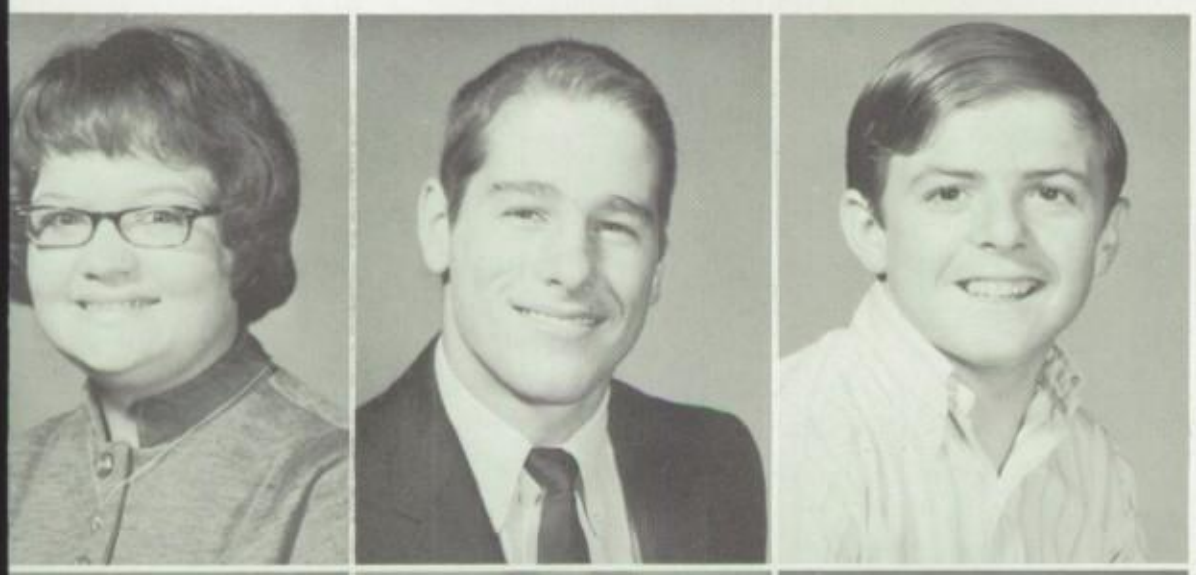
George Spindler
Tom Suter
Mary Tomczak

Mary Smith
Kathleen Stoever
Kathy Szymanski
Linda Trombatore



Such serious comtemplation is typical of St. Pius students.



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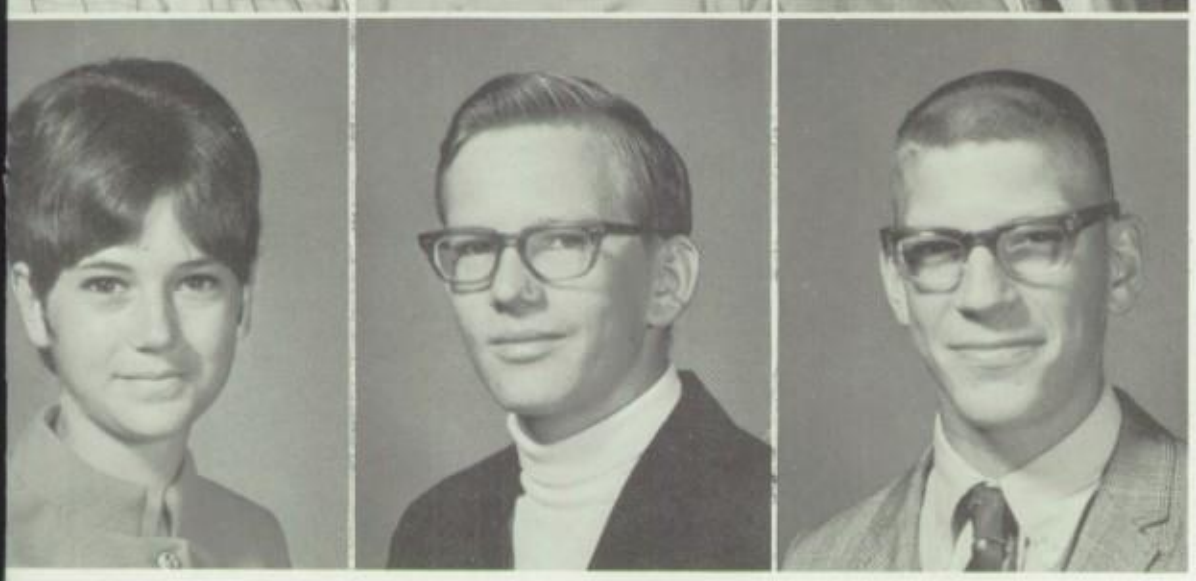
Andy Wooten
Dicky Wild

Kathy Whitmire
Francis Wasielewski
David Walzel



Debbie Waguespack
Joseph Ulrich
Richard Zajac

Because deadlines must be met, Mario and Kathleen work overtime.

"Hurry up and take the picture, I can't stand this way much longer!"

That's right Joe, show them how to do it.

Junior motto, "Be happy in your work"

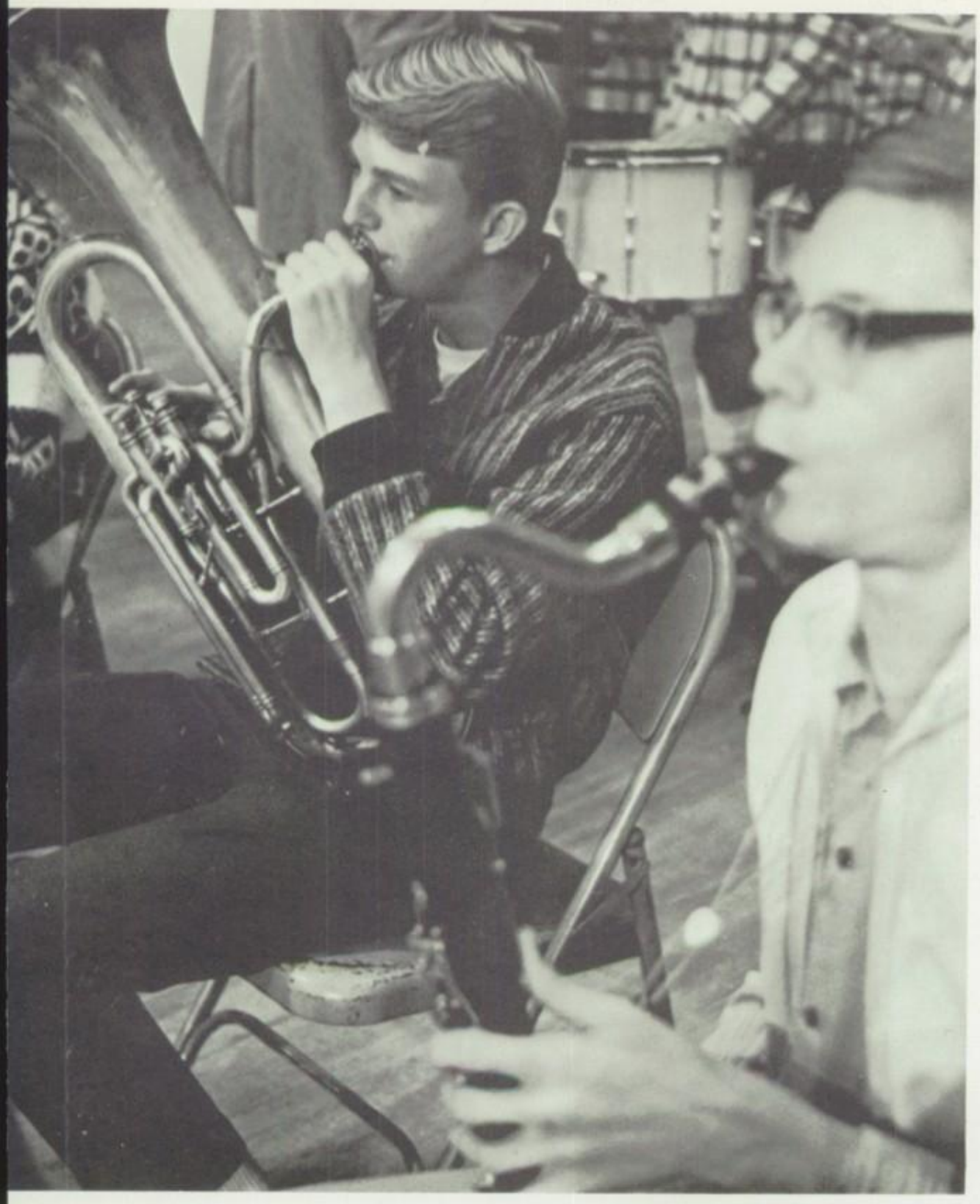
Never ending spirit is a quality shown by Junior Pantherettes no matter the score.

Being a Pantherette drummer sometimes proves frustrating to some and rewarding to others.

"Look lively band, Mr. You-Know-Who is watching!"

"See, I told you my tonsils are blue!"

"Sorry son, but that's the largest size they come in."



Gary, blow a little louder, they can still hear Leslie.

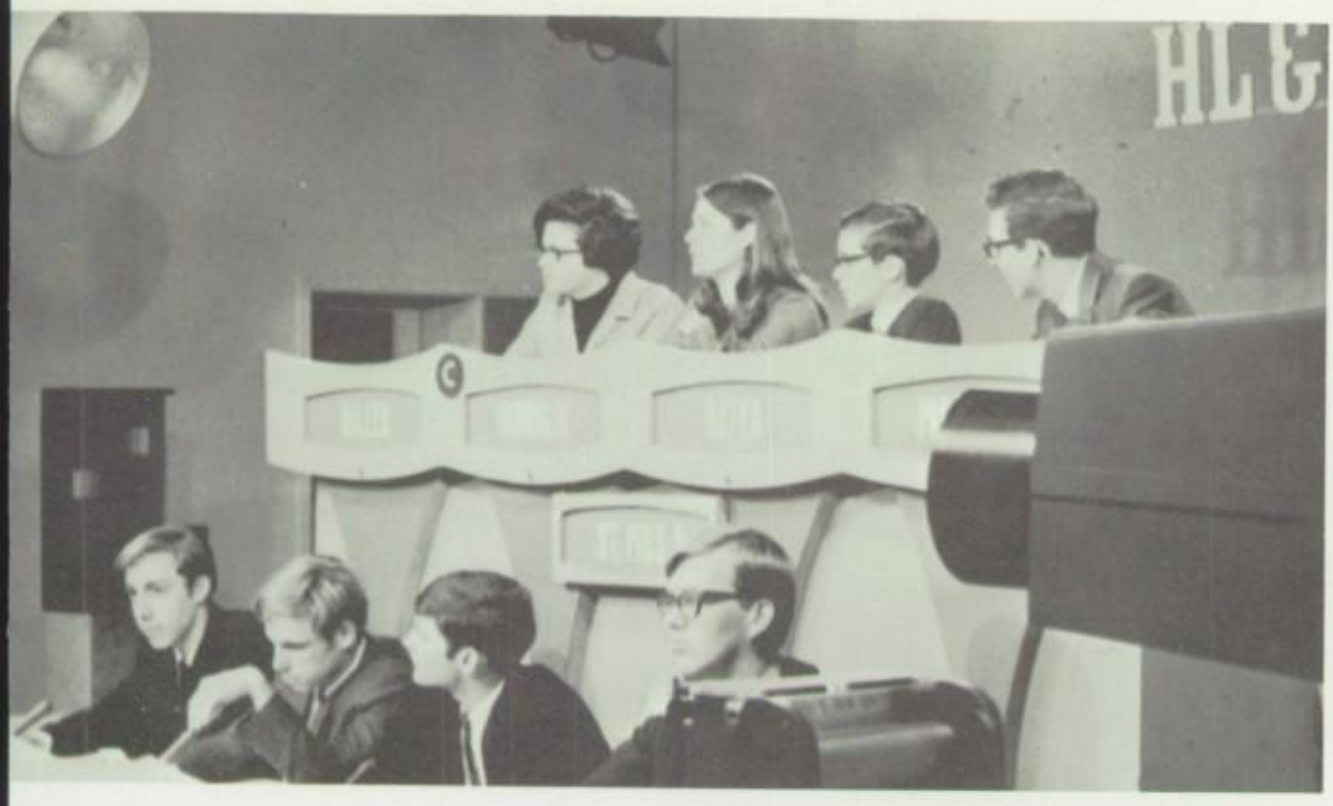
Give up, Buzzy!

Always happy, forever spirited. . .are Junior Pantherettes.

With cheerleaders like this, you can't lose. . .

Put me in, coach!

A woman's work is never done. . .



Brainstorming session between Lamar and St. Pius at prep bowl.

Slave day brings its apprehensive moments . . .

Anthony Porcorello escorts the junior queen candidate, Debbie Waguespack to the Silver Bell Ball.

The conclusion of the juniors' year was highlighted by two special events. April 18th hosted the Junior Prom held at the Marriott. Juniors in their glory danced to the music of the Ambassadors of Soul while Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft, Mr. and Mrs. Danna and Mr. and Mrs. Smith chaperoned. May 18th provided the long awaited Mass for the juniors when they would receive their senior rings. Father Larry and Father Dvorak con-celebrated the Mass then blessed the rings that the juniors would proudly wear.

Junior girls proudly displayed their senior rings.

Juniors rings were blessed by Fr. Larry and Fr. Dvorak.

Hands held high by happy juniors.

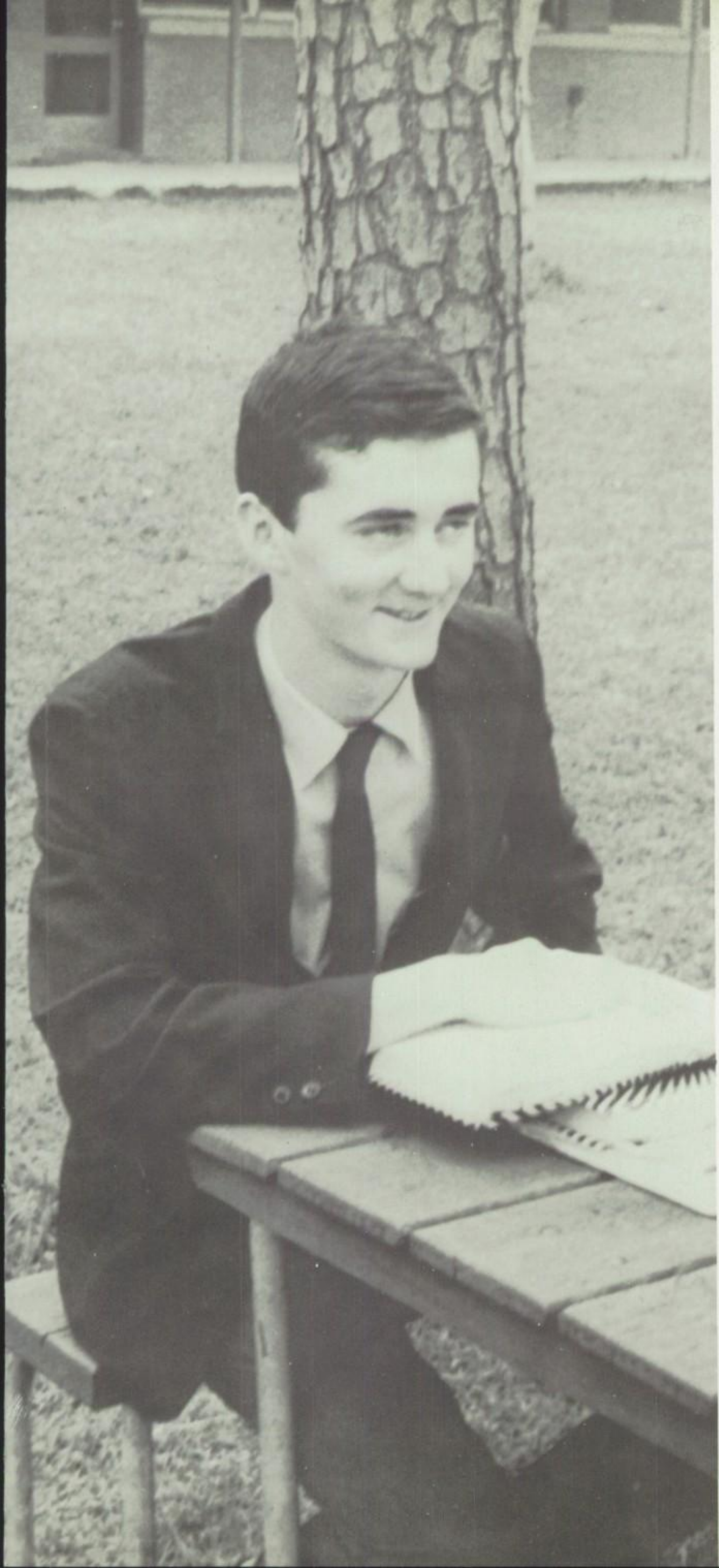
"And the beat goes on. . ."

"Mike!!!!!"

The Junior Prom provided everyone with the opportunity to. . .look their best.

"Wake-up, Joe, the music's stopped."

Go ahead and ask her, Randy, that's what the Junior Prom is for.



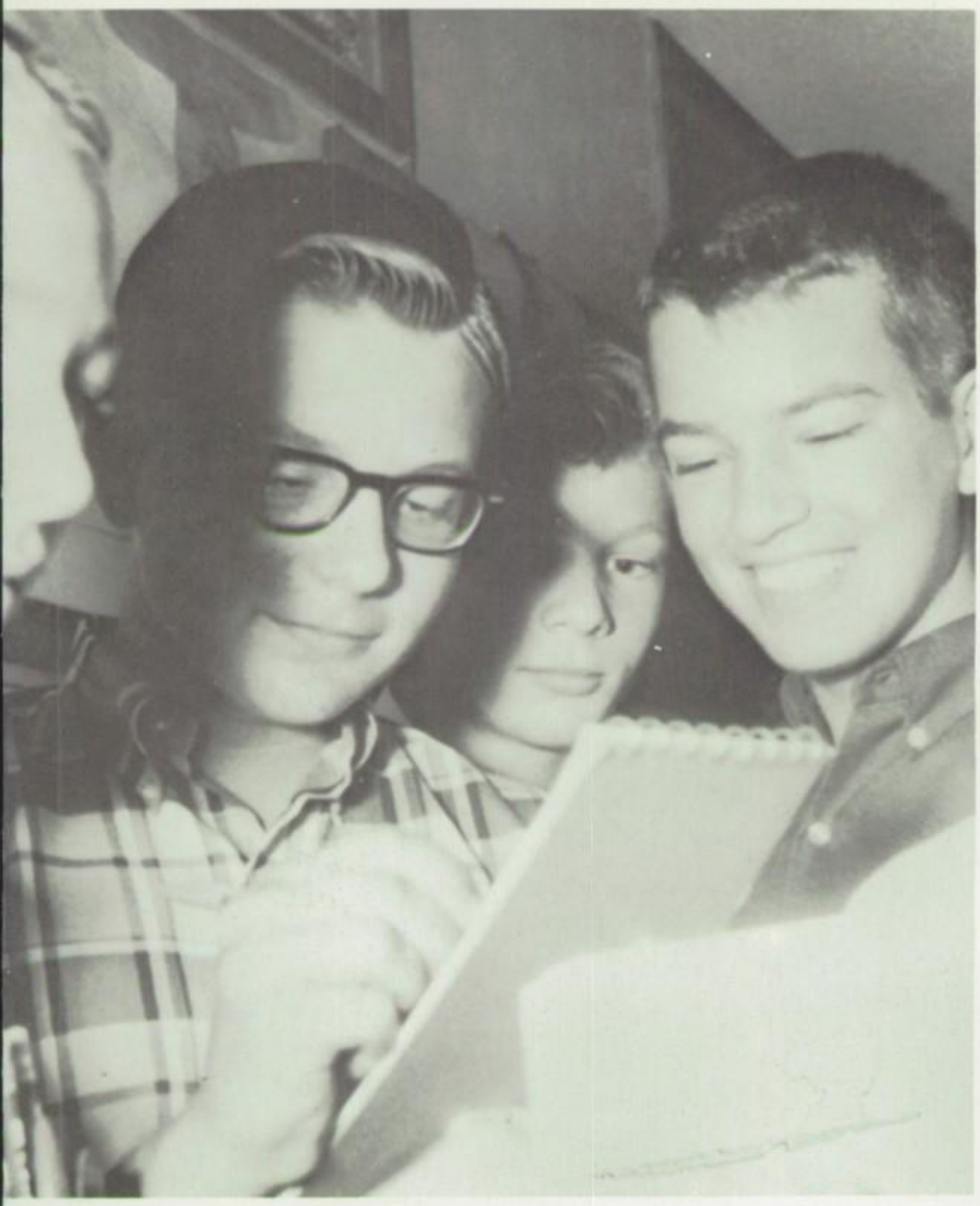
SOPHOMORE CLASS

Not yet at the top,
But already half-way there
Reaching for success.

—Patsy Kaderka

The new sophomore class began their year by presenting St. Pius with a sound system.

Sr. Susan's English class presented a private showing of "The Diary of Anne Frank".



No longer a Freshman himself, Raymond Borski happily gives his autograph to the new "fish", Jake Klovenski, Leroy Wise and John Suter.

Barbara Huegele, typical of sophs, displays amazing sureness in classroom participation.

...and Dianne Holley makes a perfect example of Sophomore spirit, giving all she's got—four hands.

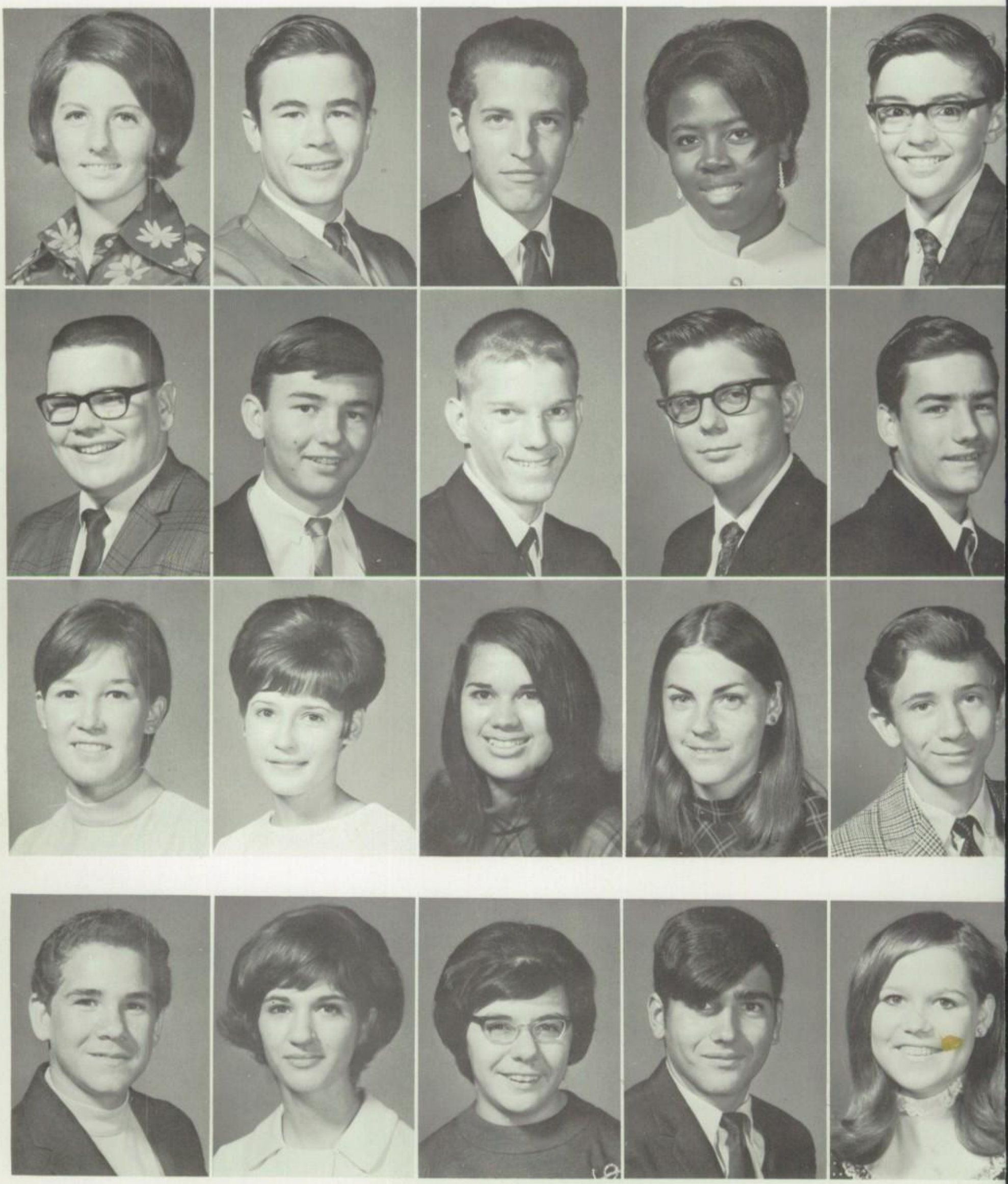
Julia Ashe
Dennis Bielamowicz
Cynthia Bugaj

Dale Bancroft
Ramond Bielamowicz
Sherry Bugaj

Florian Baranowski
Mark Bollom
Elizabeth Castillo

Doranita Bates
Raymond Borski
Valerie Christian

Stephen Bates
Rooney Borski
Frank Clawson



David Colotta

Elizabeth Cutaia

Phyllis De Cola

Jony De Luke

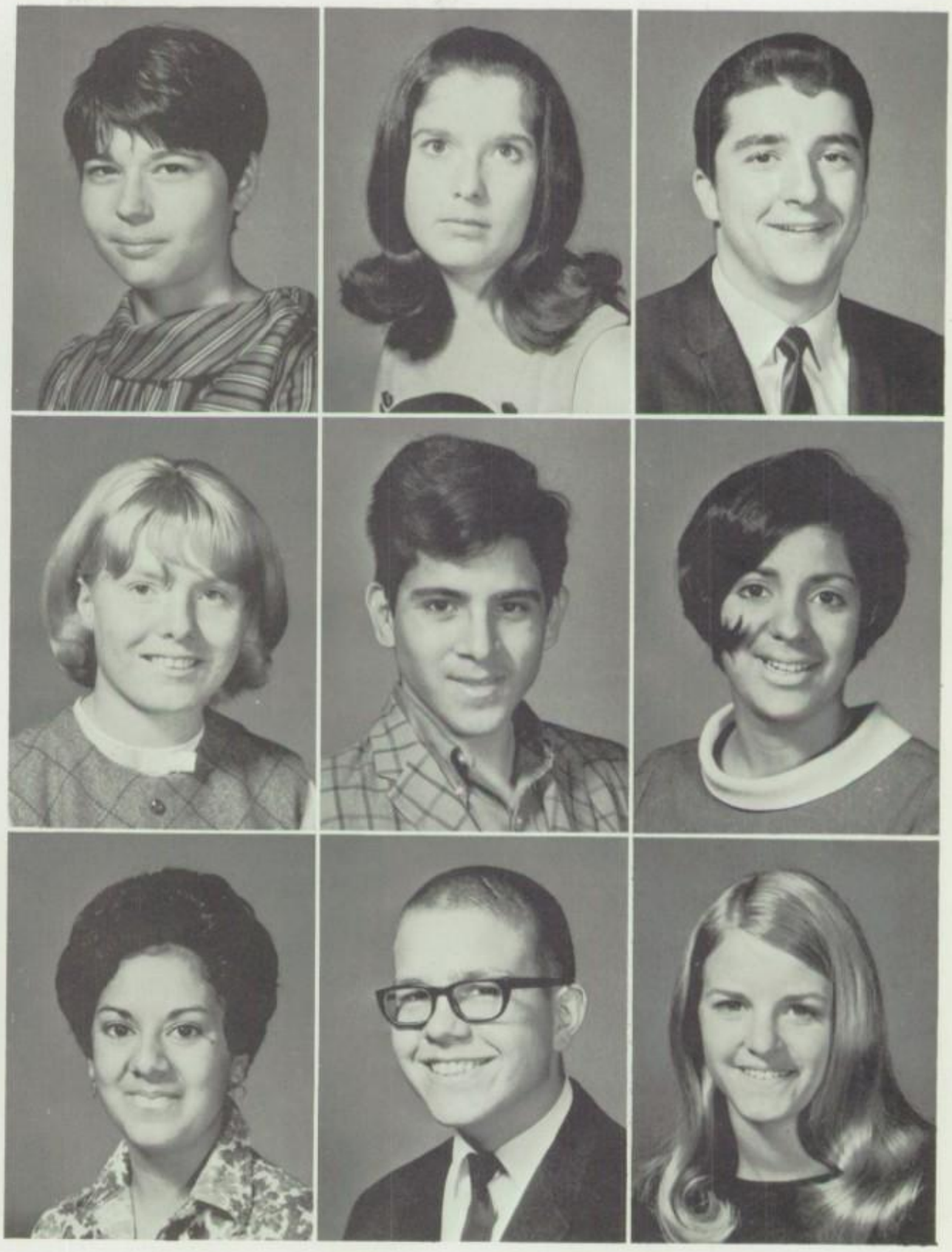
Theresa Demarco

Sharing their talent, these sophomores from French II entertained during the Christmas program. . .

Vicky Dimiceli
Sherry Gibson
Rose Gonzales

Jane Ericksen
David Gonzales
Fabian Gorka

Buzzy Evans
Delores Gonzales
Elizabeth Gould



. . .while Louise Montalbano and others diligently study on.

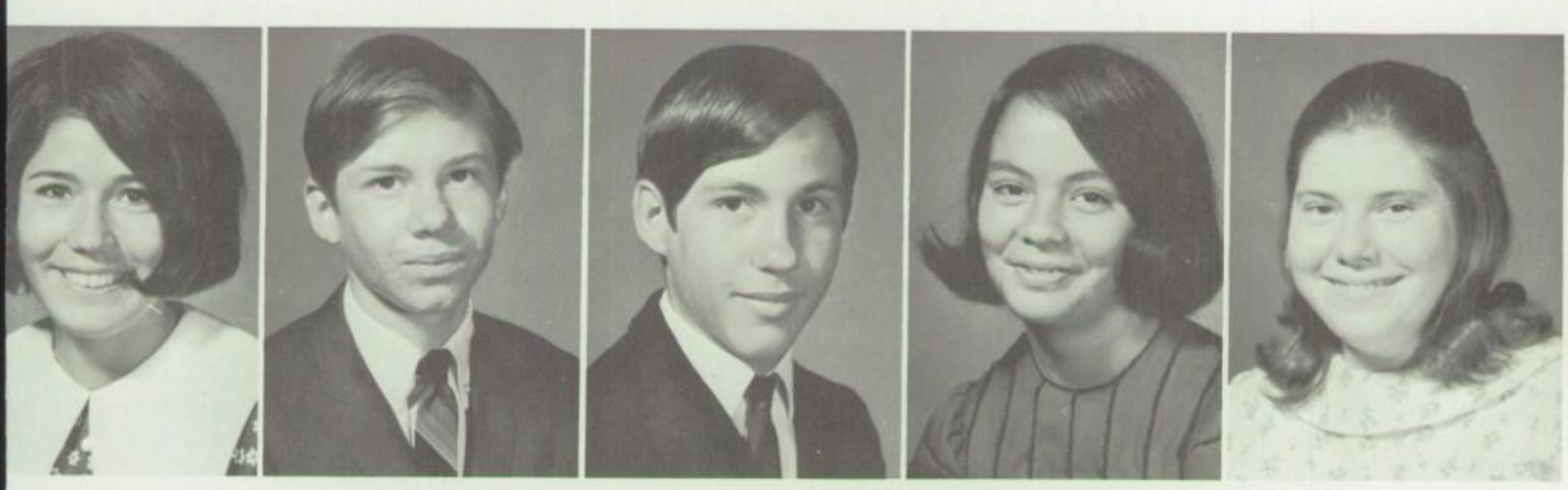
James Hetherington, Danny Kutec, Do
Tallent and James Heitz have a gab session.

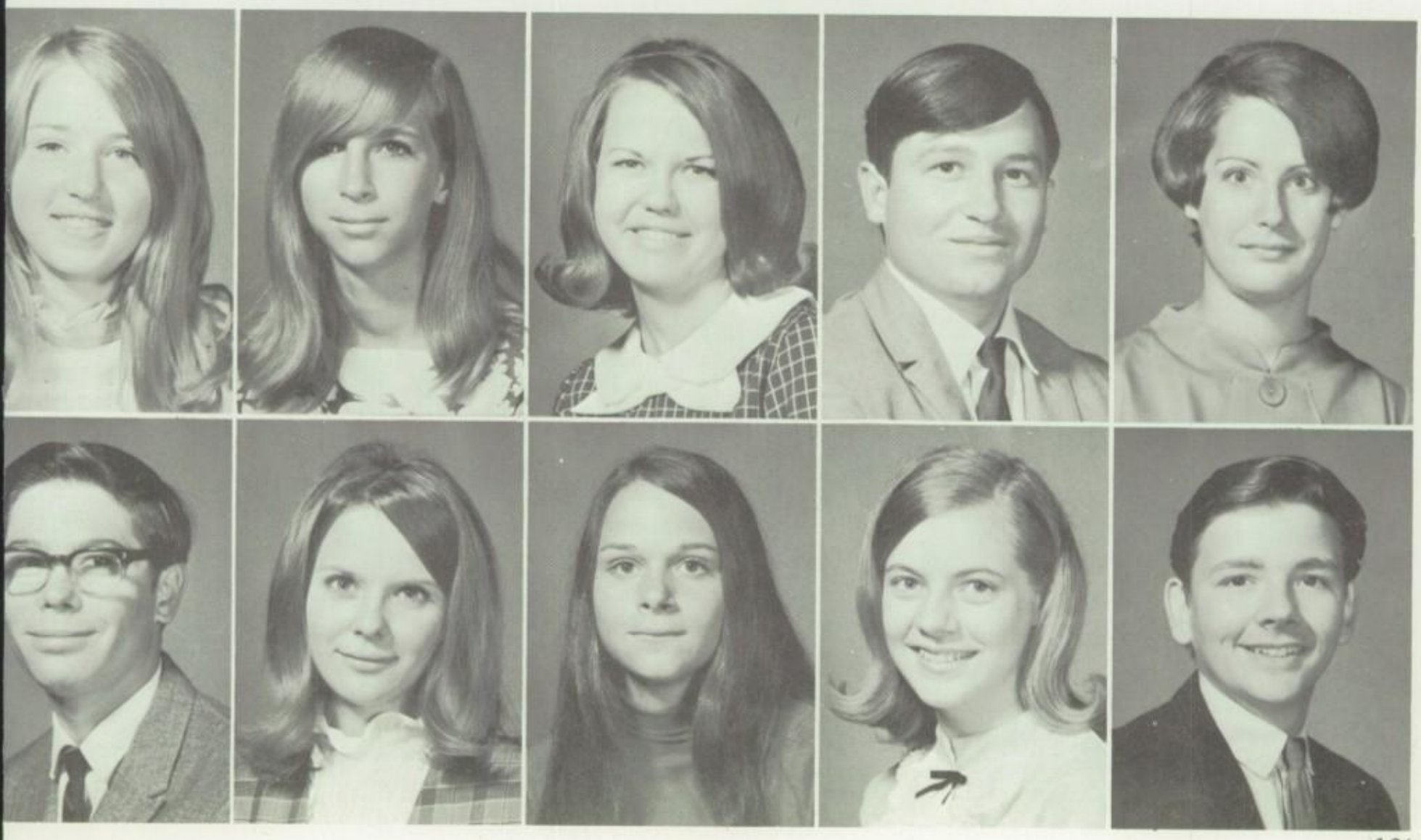
Beverly Grahmann
Sharon Grochett
Shirley Guenther

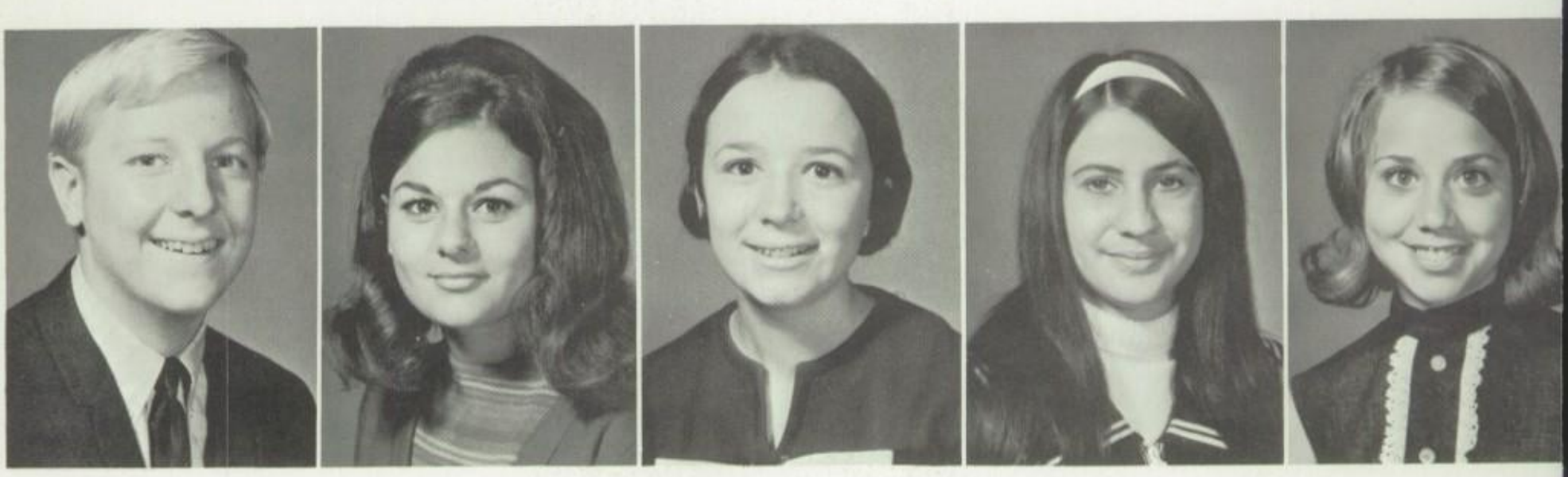
Sharon Hacker
Cathe Hall
Tim Hanus
Kathy Harrison
David Hebert
James Heintz
Grace Herrera
Ellen Hessong

James Hetherington
Sandra Hill
Liz Holik
Diane Holly
Mary Holly
Marilyn Hoyt
Richard Hoyt
Barbara Huegele

Bernie Hughes
Karen Indellicati
Dennis Ivy
Anthony Jozwiak
Jo Ann Jozwiak
Ann Jung
Patsy Koderka
Leonard Kaspizak

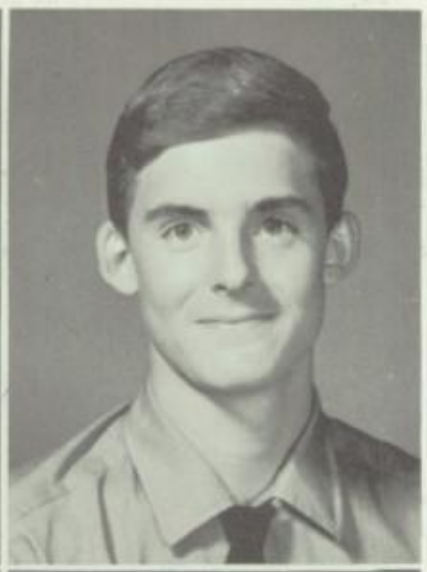






Blayne Kay

Jack Klienworth



Gary Klodzincki
Felicia Knapik
Sharon Korenek
Cindy Kuba
Danny Lutec
Tommy Langley

Ronalda Laver

Michael Ledet
Janice Lee

John Lewandowski
Lori Liles
Jo Anita Loria
Joyce Machac
Mike Maddox

Paul Marek

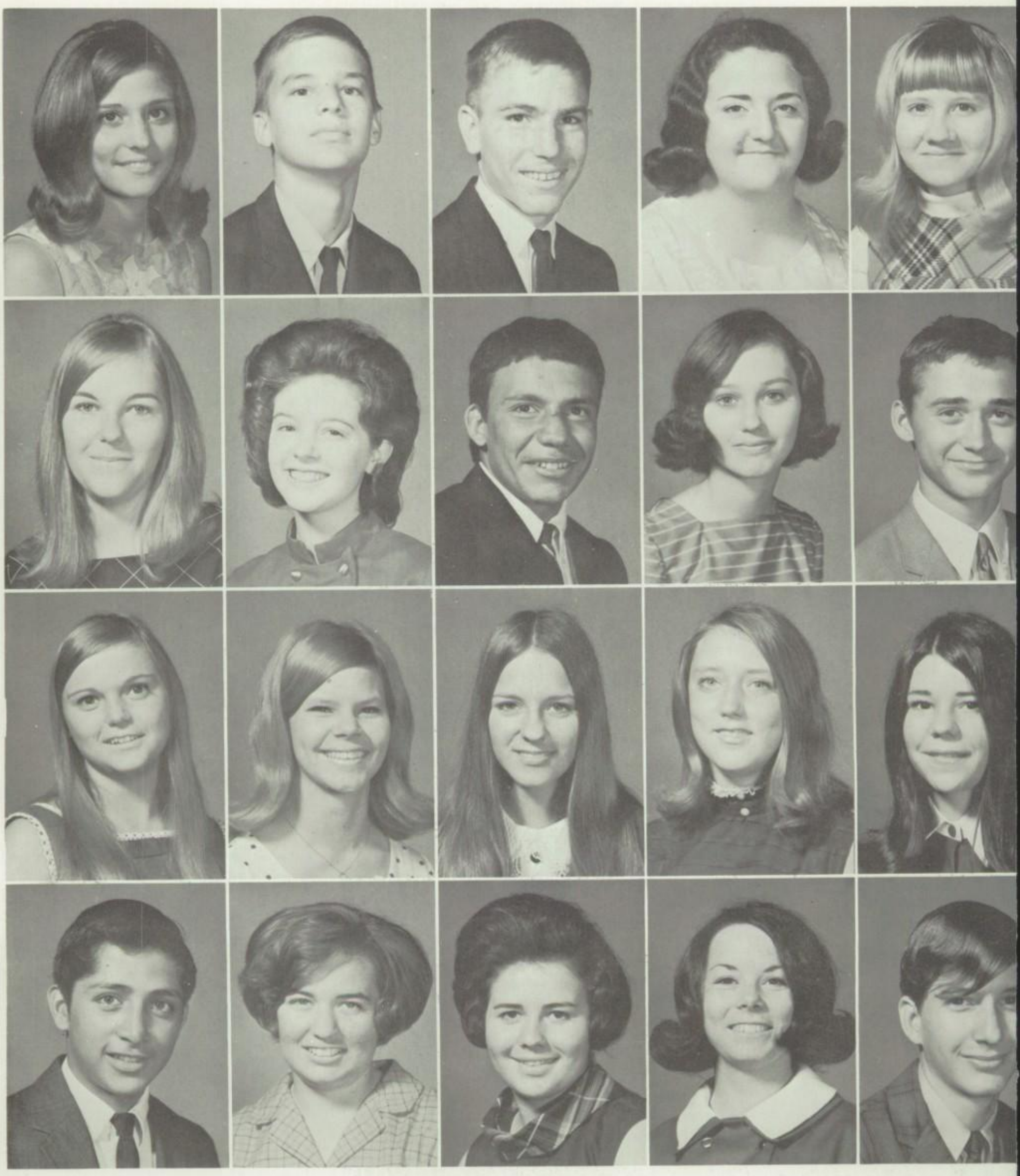
Angela Mascari
Robbie Matthews
Marilynanne McConnell
Teresa McCullar
Barbara McMahan
Mickey Meinke
Virginia Michalak

Betty Moore

Brenda Moore

Kenneth Morgan

Aw now, World History can't be that interesting!



Nancy Morgan
Geraldine Orlando
Doris Pawlik
Richard Ramirez

Gary Motal
Darlene Owens
Susan Pearce
Marlene Ruffine

Mark Nevlud
Gene Pagliuso
Paula Pereria
Patsy Salvato

Nicholina Nichols
Janie Papelka
Dianne Polka
Sandra Schooley

Beverly Olexy
Mike Patzakis
Joanie Raines
Clay Schreck

'he Pantherette car wash wasn't Felicia's asiest job.

Johnny Podraza
Paul Rekieta
Nina Savarino

John Przyborski
Ronnie Rodriguez
Janet Schwark

David Quintero
Sandra Sandoval
Shelly Siems

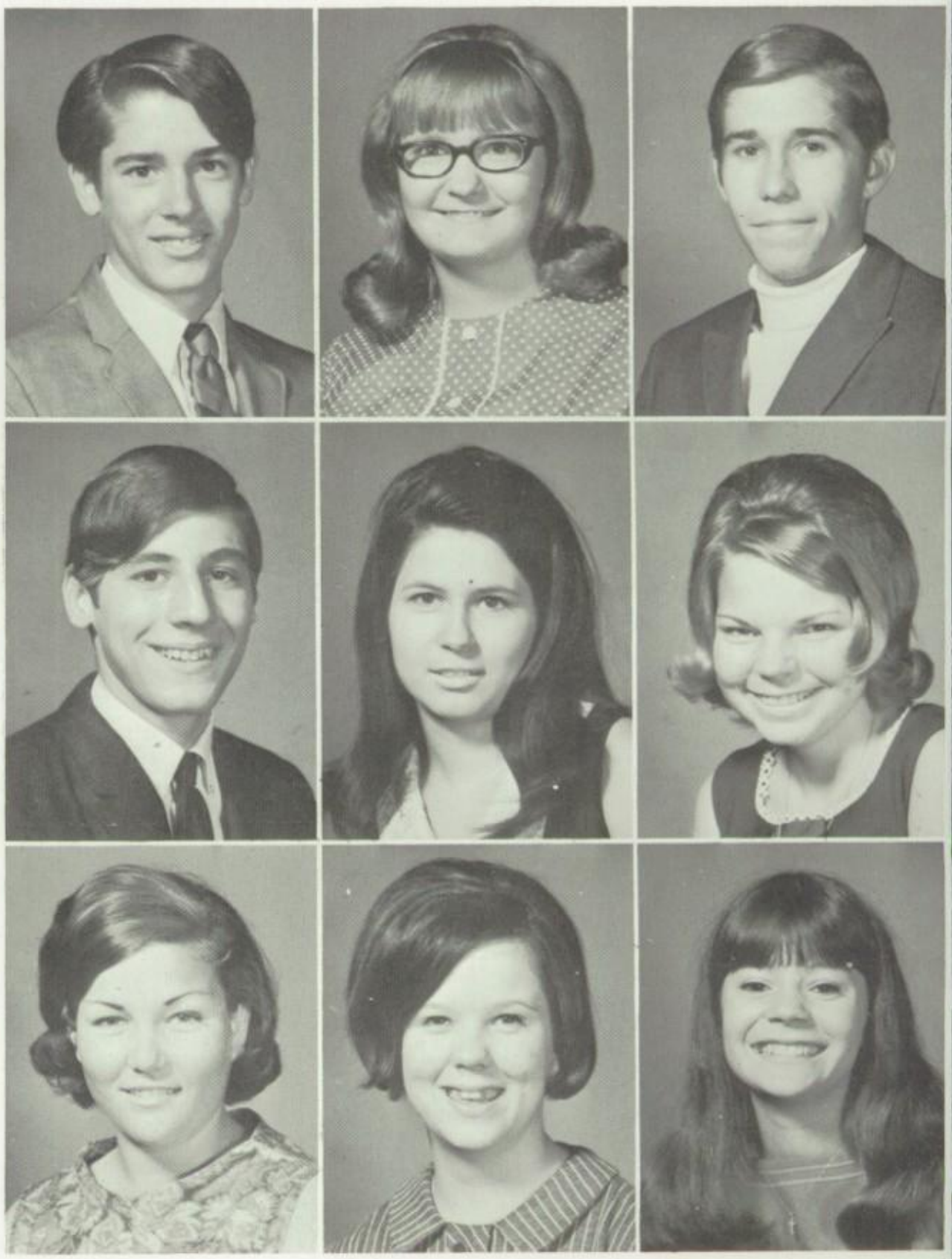
Sophomore Stephen Bates, a member of the St. Pius prep bowl team, confers with his captain.

Rita Williams displays her talent as a jazz dancer.

Tommy Simpson
Steve Smith
Mary Snow

Susan Sivcoski
Elaine Snell
Judy Spring

Dale Slott
Penny Snell
Cathy Stawnicz



Come on, Mike! Show us how sophomores smile.

Dream on, English majors; you've got thirty-five minutes and twenty-four seconds left.

Robert Wasielewski

James Stopplburg
Leroy Wise
Danny Wolf

Don Tallent
Juliette Wisnoski
Danny Yanowski

Larry Tallerine
Richard Williams

Debbie Vancura
Rita Williams

FRESHMAN CLASS

Not quite a young child,
But not yet a man,
First of a four-cornered star.

—Chris Moore

Linda Albert
Diane Bashinski
Sandra Bugaj
Ralph Colotta

Gregory Applito
Theresa Battarbee
Nick Carrizales
Kenneth Coquyt

Clyde Bachmeyer
Margaret Bell
Eddie Christian
Mary Danna

Rick Baker
Robert Beran
Pat Cicherski
Nancy Davis

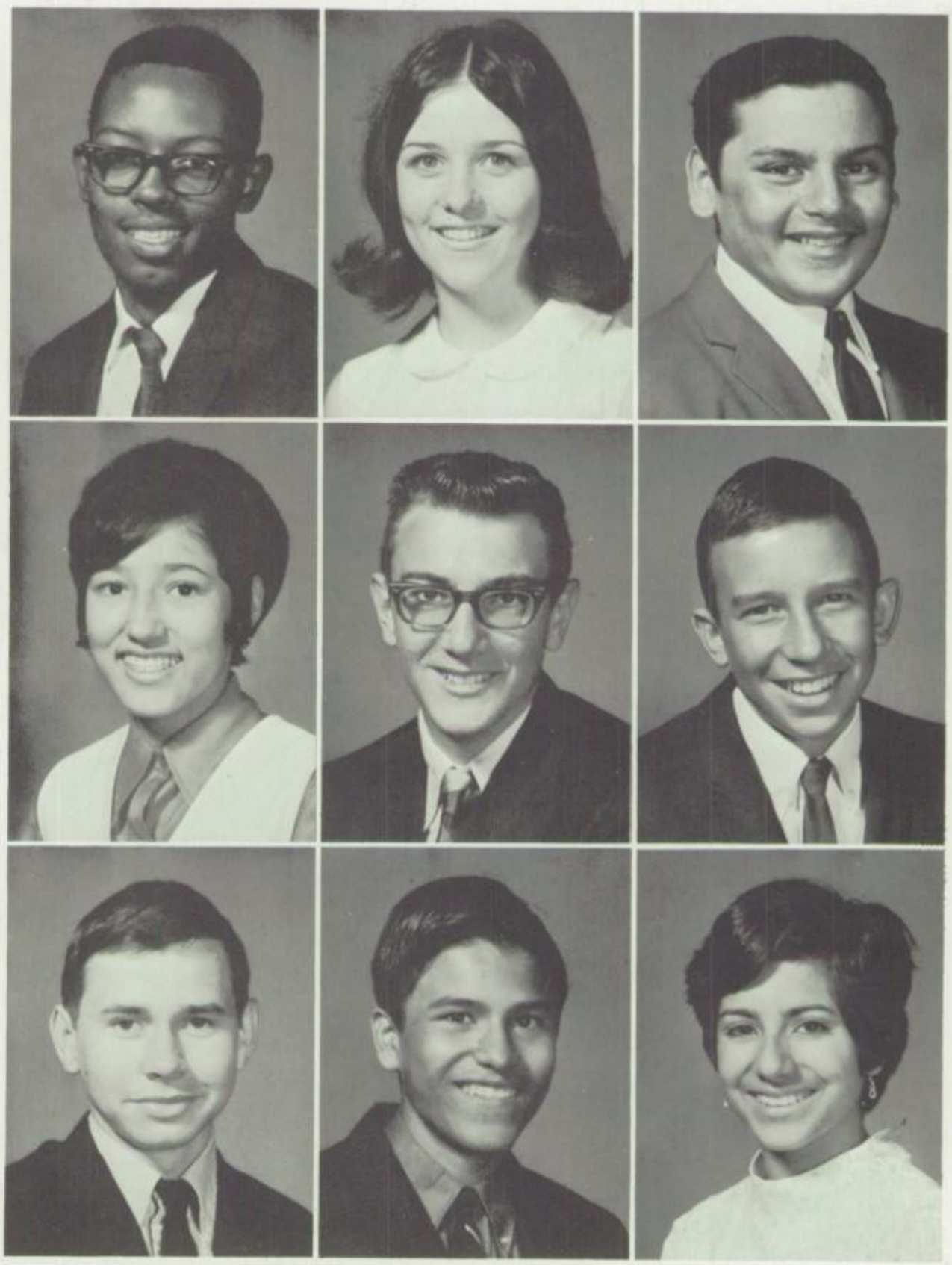
Diane Baronoskie
Julie Bielamowicz
Antonio Cisheros
Barbara Dobson

"Practice makes perfect!"

Larry Domingue
Linda Esquivel
Tim Goins

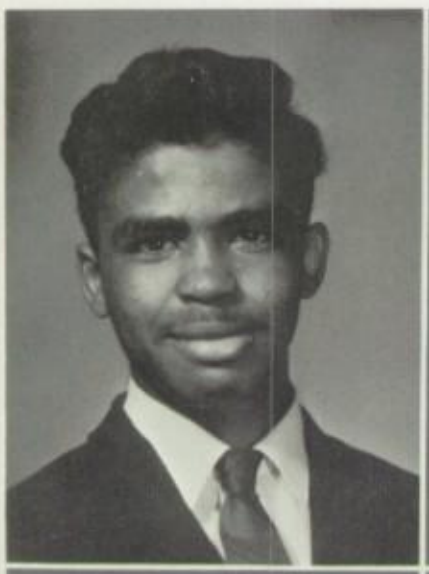
Paula Douglass
Mike Frank
Gerald Gonjaly

Matthew Duran
William Glover
Mariana Gonzales



"All because we didn't wear our beanies."

"Now that I've put my hand down, she'll call on me."



Milton Goodie

Irene Grabarkwitz

Carol Hamala

Sharon Harris

Rosemary Helfrich

Cynthia Hilligiest

Jeannie Hlozek

Carol Holley

Connie Holub

"One more book and I'll get an "A" Charm."

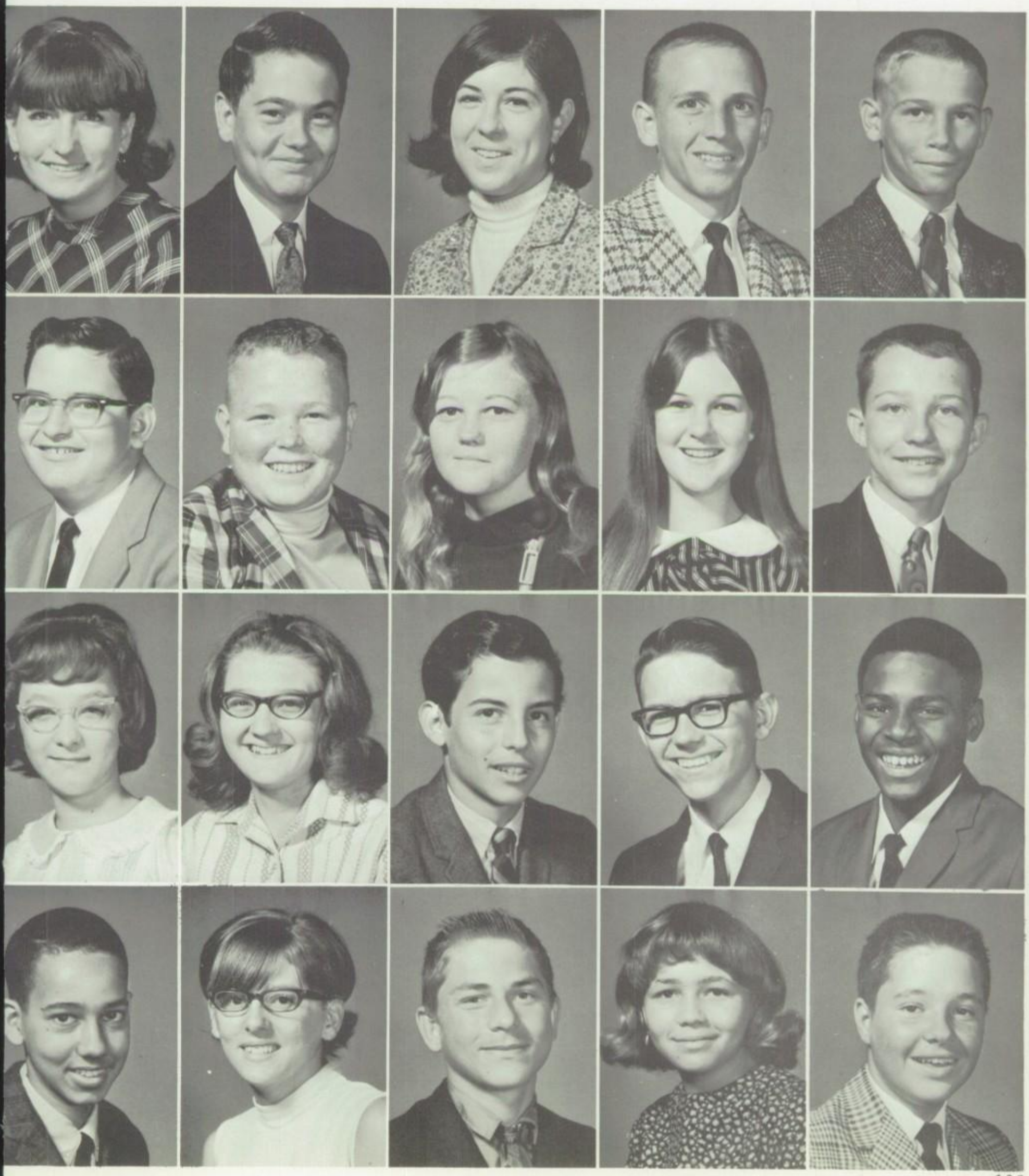
Maria Hutchings
Jim Kelley
Frances Krolczyk
Carey Ledet

John Jacobs
Robin Kirk
Deborah Kurtin
Karen Lobpries

Mary Jankowski
Deborah Kittel
Michael Lasala
Jim Malek

Vince Kapczynski
Gale Klotz
Billy Lastovica
Mary Malonson

Craig Kay
Jake Klovenski Jr.
Clarence Lawrence
Norby Maduzia



Elizabeth McCorkle

Melissa Mendel

Terry O'Donnell

Tony Palermo

Maria McKenna

Joan Muzyka

Peggy O'Krulik

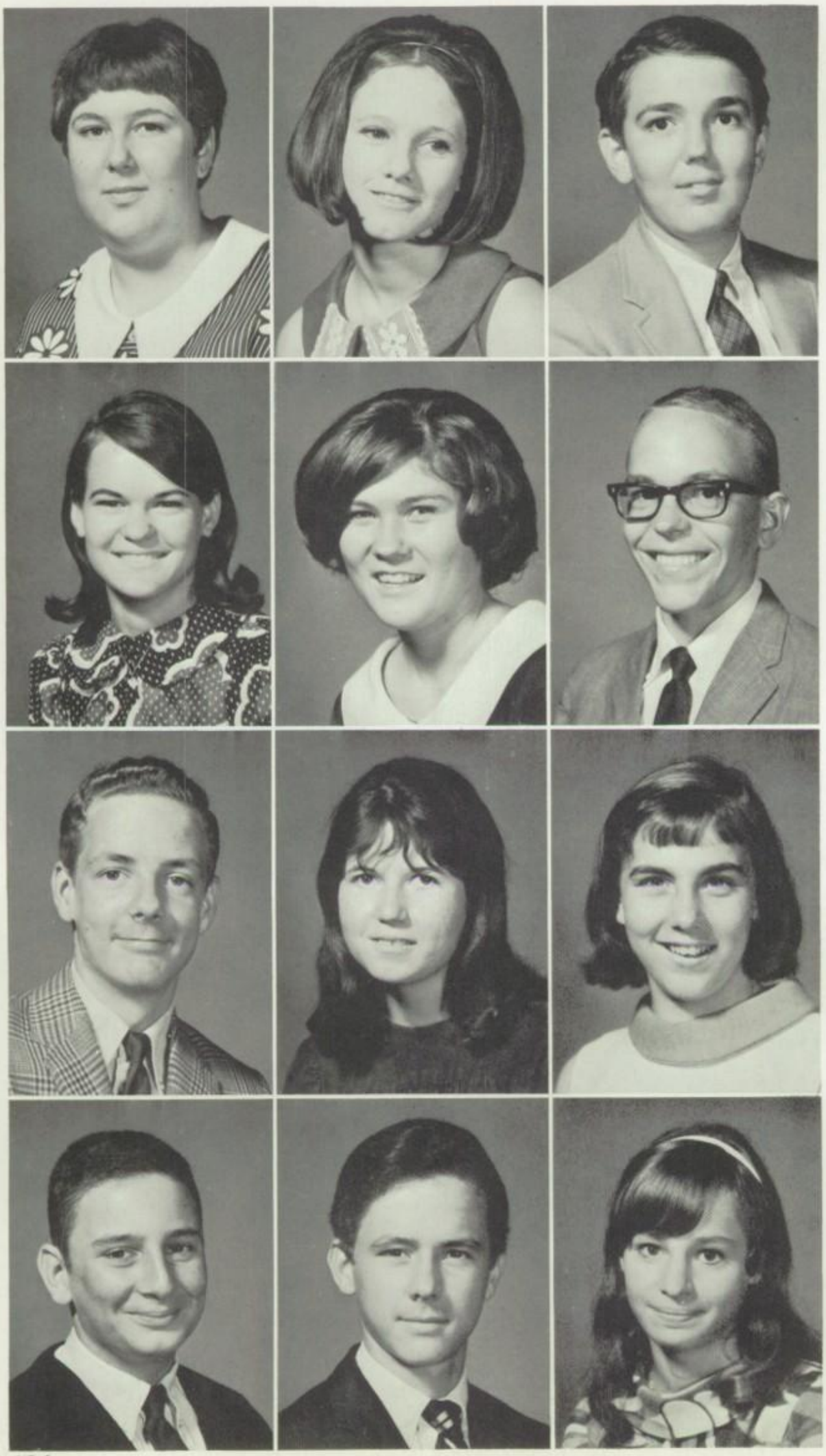
Mike Pekar

Stephen Mechler

Pat O'Donnell

Kathy O'Rourke

Joyce Pinder

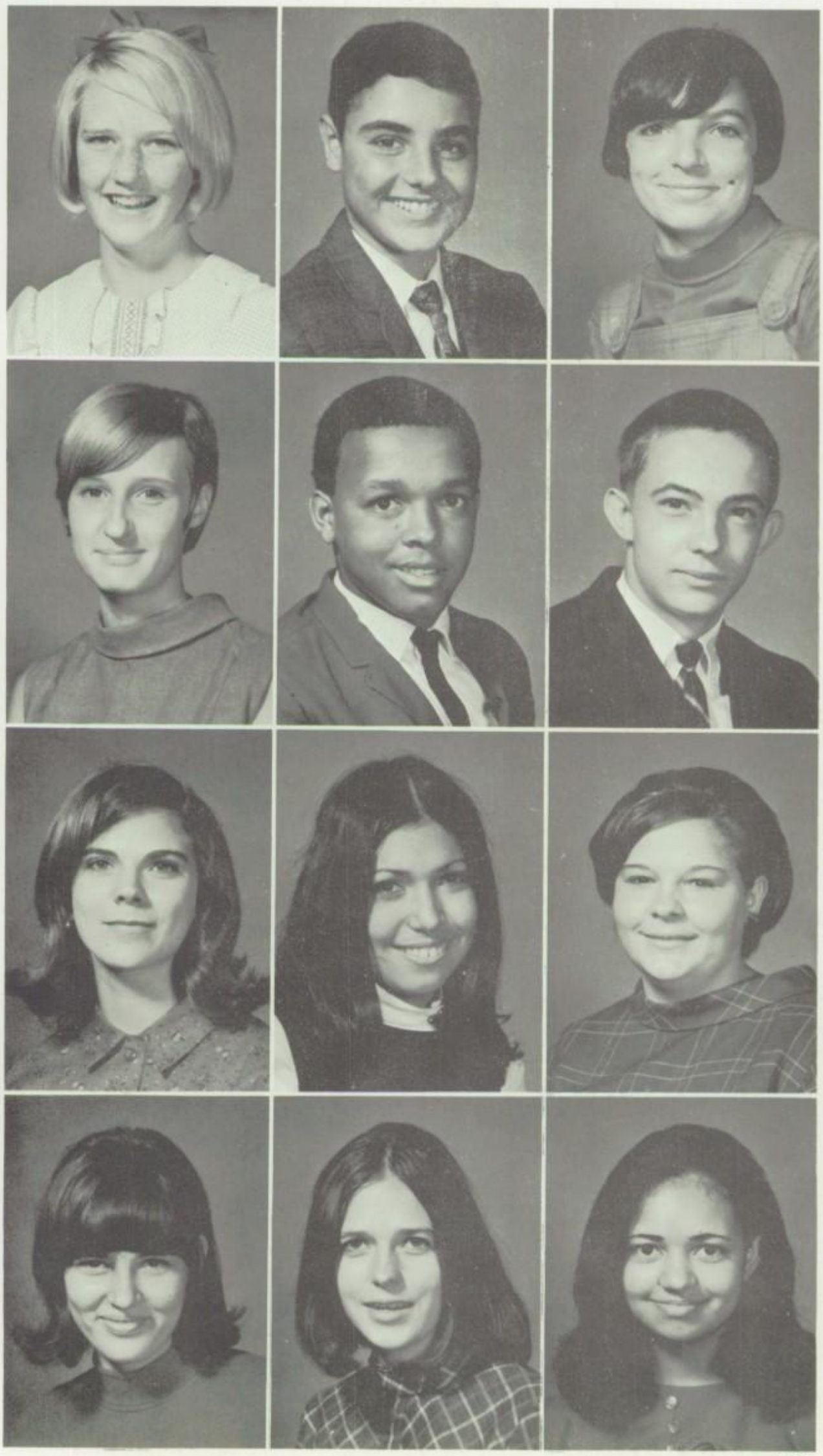


Is this the proper dress for school?

Annette Polka
Linda Ragar
Cheryl Ann Sadler
Brenda Schindler

Luke Pomilla
Nelson Redeaux
Theresa Sandaval
Peggy Schneider

Diana Przyborski
Mike A. Reed
Cindy Sarao
Kathy Sellers



Louis Snider
John Suter
Alice Tarnowski
Betty Walkoviak

Elliott St. Julian
Laurie Sutton
Sherilyn Ulrich
Richard Wendt

Virginia Straub
Bob Swinney
Danny Vancura
Louis Werner

Benny Strauss
Sharon Syzdek
Ana Vela
Mike White

Kenneth Stuchly
Charles Tallent
Tony Waguespack
Kathy Whipple

So what if I'm a fish? I'm cute anyway!"

David Wild

Gaylero Wineriter

Diane Wolff

Albert Zarosky

Errin Authur Williams

Dennis Wise

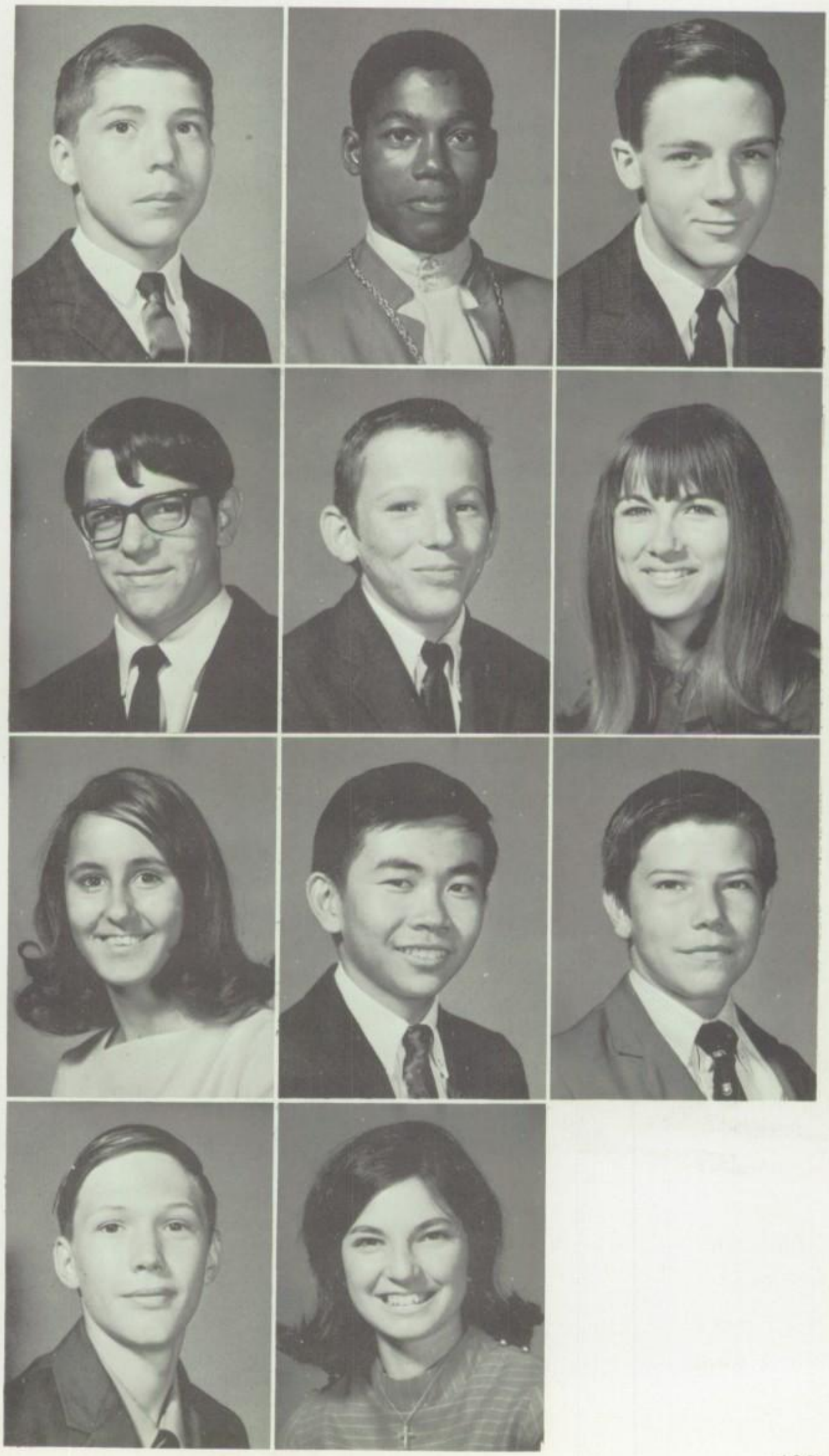
Richard Yee

Mary Frances Zasac

Gregg Williams

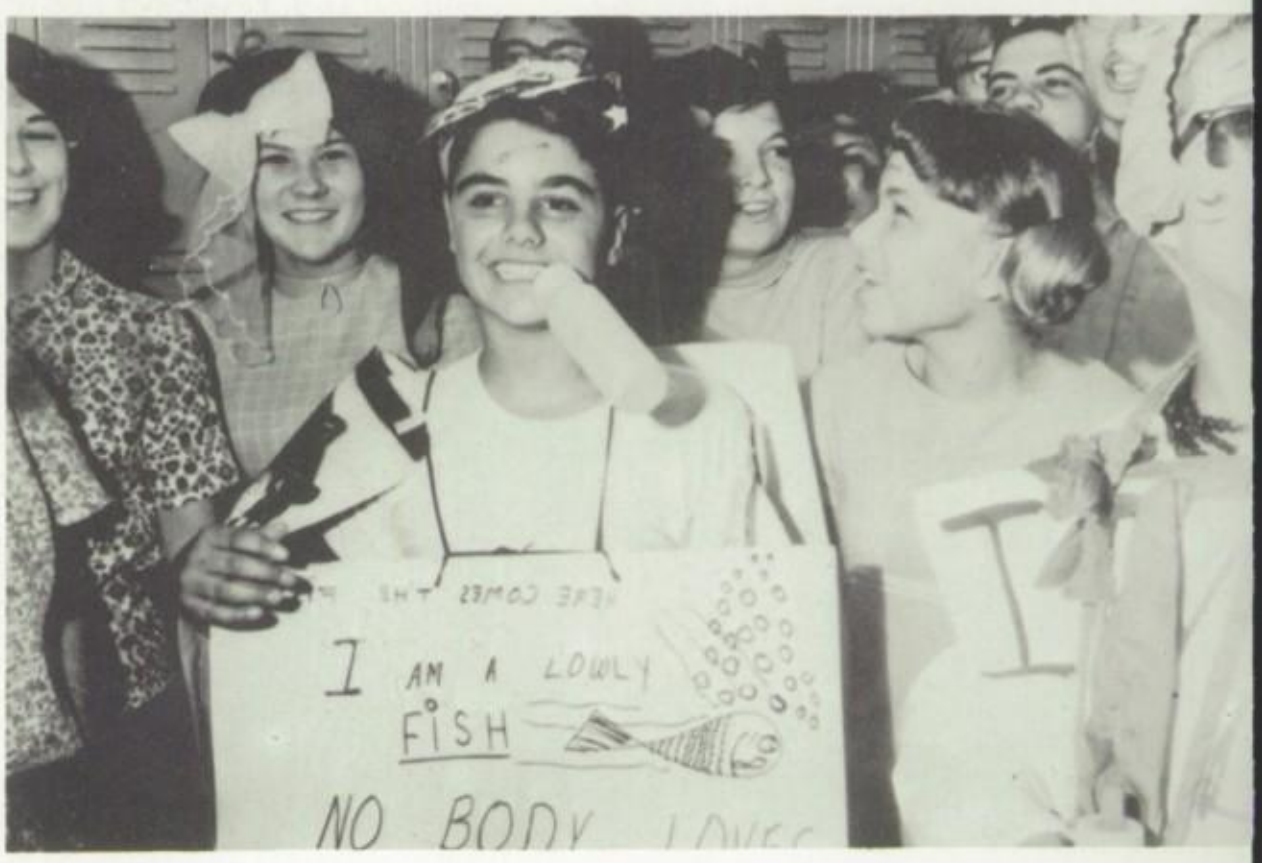
Mary Wisnoski

Anthony Yezak



"Fourth period French class—Dormez Vous?"

"Lonely, but lovable!"



"He went thataway!"

Freshman cheerleaders lead the freshman class in spirit. From top to bottom: Mary Danna, Carol Holley, Sharon Syzdek, Linda Albert, and Maria McKenna.

"Exuberating air and the great outdoors make a perfect setting for study."

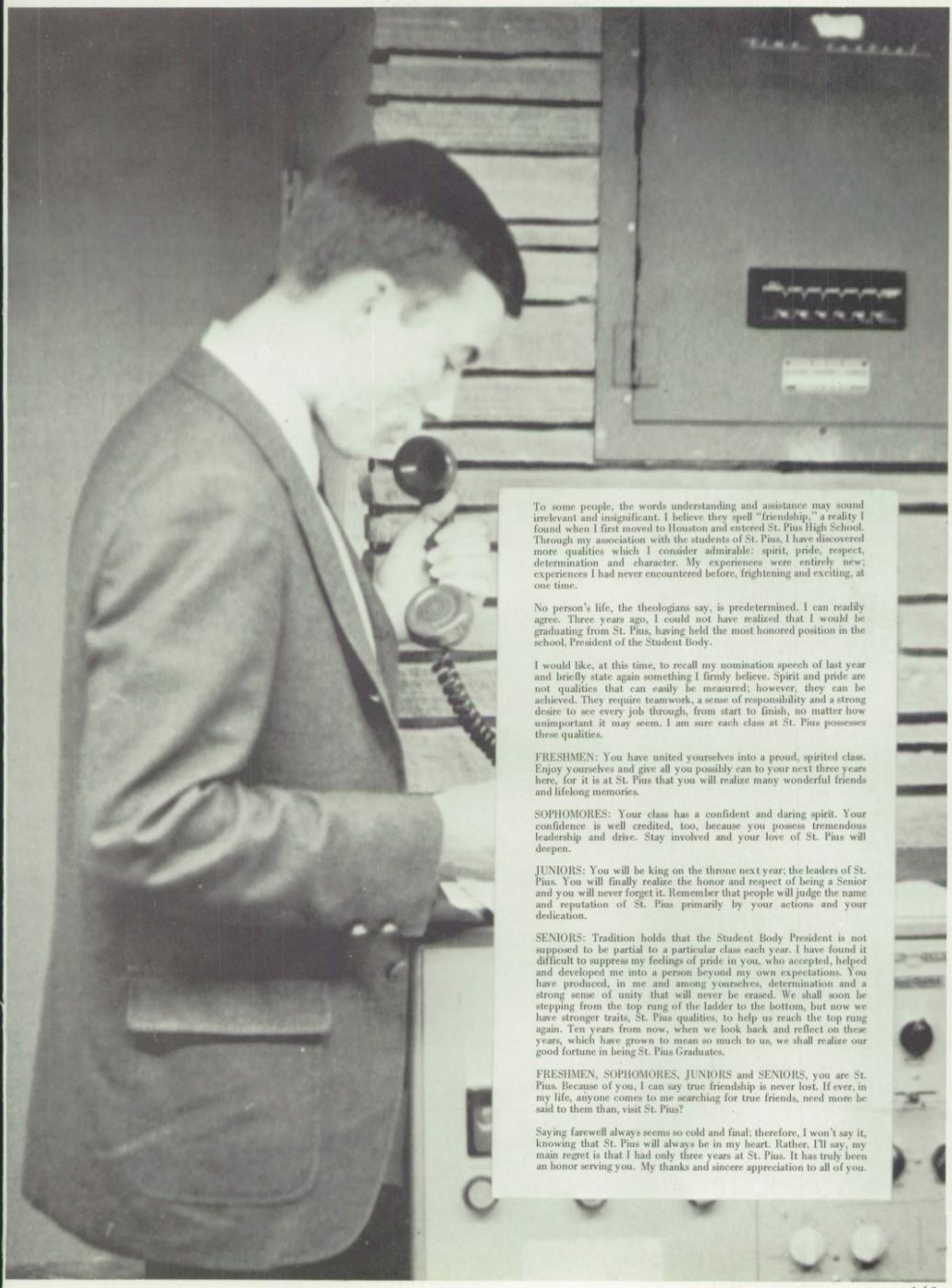
Honors

Wisdom breeds success,
And honor is won by those
Who accomplish both.

—Cathy Hons

Student Body President - most honored position

Richard and his cabinet bid farewell as the new student body president, Mike Demicelli, receives his senior ring with a smile and a hand shake from Father Larry.



To some people, the words understanding and assistance may sound irrelevant and insignificant. I believe they spell "friendship," a reality I found when I first moved to Houston and entered St. Pius High School. Through my association with the students of St. Pius, I have discovered more qualities which I consider admirable: spirit, pride, respect, determination and character. My experiences were entirely new; experiences I had never encountered before, frightening and exciting, at one time.

No person's life, the theologians say, is predetermined. I can readily agree. Three years ago, I could not have realized that I would be graduating from St. Pius, having held the most honored position in the school, President of the Student Body.

I would like, at this time, to recall my nomination speech of last year and briefly state again something I firmly believe. Spirit and pride are not qualities that can easily be measured; however, they can be achieved. They require teamwork, a sense of responsibility and a strong desire to see every job through, from start to finish, no matter how unimportant it may seem. I am sure each class at St. Pius possesses these qualities.

FRESHMEN: You have united yourselves into a proud, spirited class. Enjoy yourselves and give all you possibly can to your next three years here, for it is at St. Pius that you will realize many wonderful friends and lifelong memories.

SOPHOMORES: Your class has a confident and daring spirit. Your confidence is well credited, too, because you possess tremendous leadership and drive. Stay involved and your love of St. Pius will deepen.

JUNIORS: You will be king on the throne next year; the leaders of St. Pius. You will finally realize the honor and respect of being a Senior and you will never forget it. Remember that people will judge the name and reputation of St. Pius primarily by your actions and your dedication.

SENIORS: Tradition holds that the Student Body President is not supposed to be partial to a particular class each year. I have found it difficult to suppress my feelings of pride in you, who accepted, helped and developed me into a person beyond my own expectations. You have produced, in me and among yourselves, determination and a strong sense of unity that will never be erased. We shall soon be stepping from the top rung of the ladder to the bottom, but now we have stronger traits, St. Pius qualities, to help us reach the top rung again. Ten years from now, when we look back and reflect on these years, which have grown to mean so much to us, we shall realize our good fortune in being St. Pius Graduates.

FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS and SENIORS, you are St. Pius. Because of you, I can say true friendship is never lost. If ever, in my life, anyone comes to me searching for true friends, need more be said to them than, visit St. Pius?

Saying farewell always seems so cold and final; therefore, I won't say it, knowing that St. Pius will always be in my heart. Rather, I'll say, my main regret is that I had only three years at St. Pius. It has truly been an honor serving you. My thanks and sincere appreciation to all of you.

Kathleen's farewell: Knowledge can't be kept in brown paper sacks. Take it out and share. . .

The fight is now . . . We bid welcome to ourselves . . . Susi's words to her classmates.

Kay Warhol (3)

Larry Landry (4)

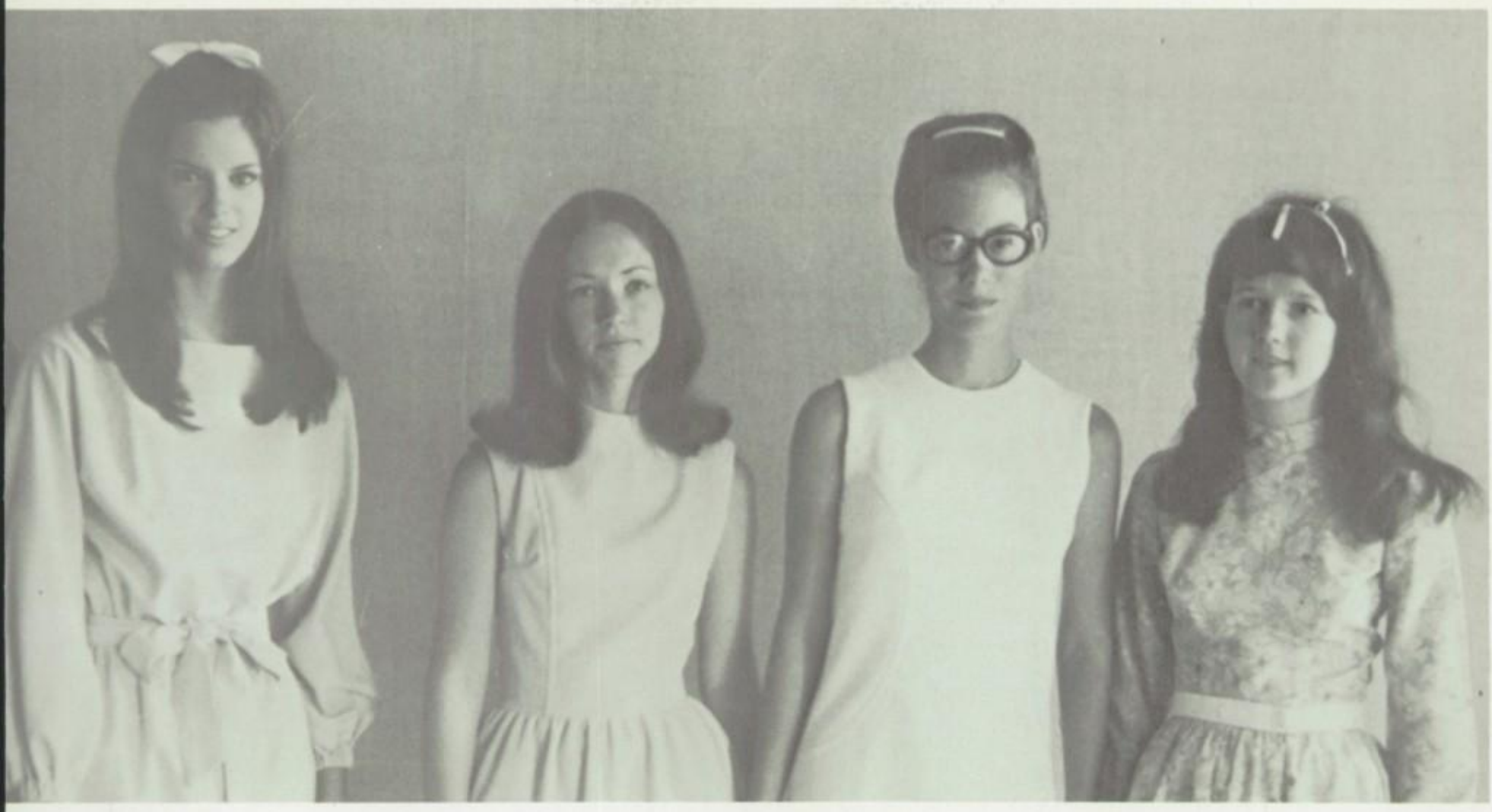
Before honors, there comes hard work as Susi Kapczynski and Kathleen Okruhlik know.

Nancy Holub (5)

Marietta Diehl (6)

Patricia Tarnowski (7)

Debbie Bielamowicz (8)



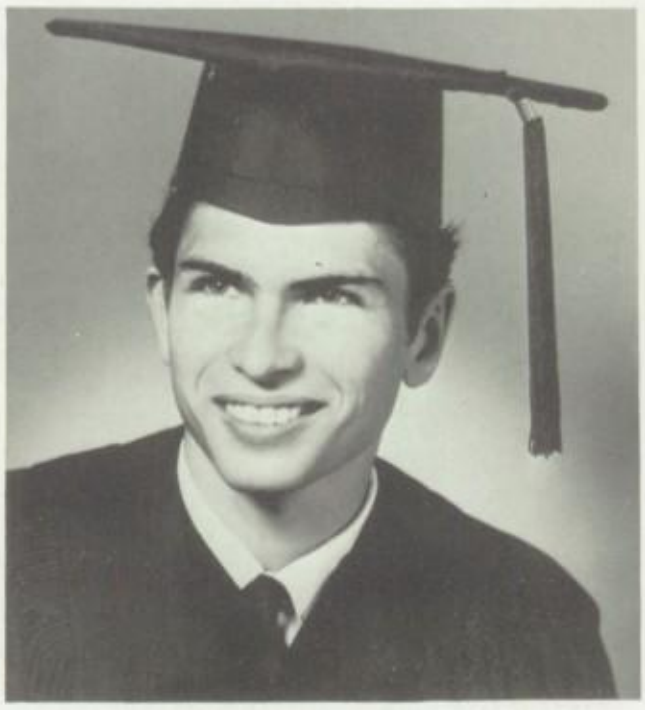
Ranking near the top of the class were Ginny Ragar, Francie Fischer, Terry Sienkiewich, and Madelyn Masaryk.

Liz Telotta (9)

Patrick Stepchinski (10)

Scholarship Winners

Larry Landry—Nominee for Lyke's Scholarship.



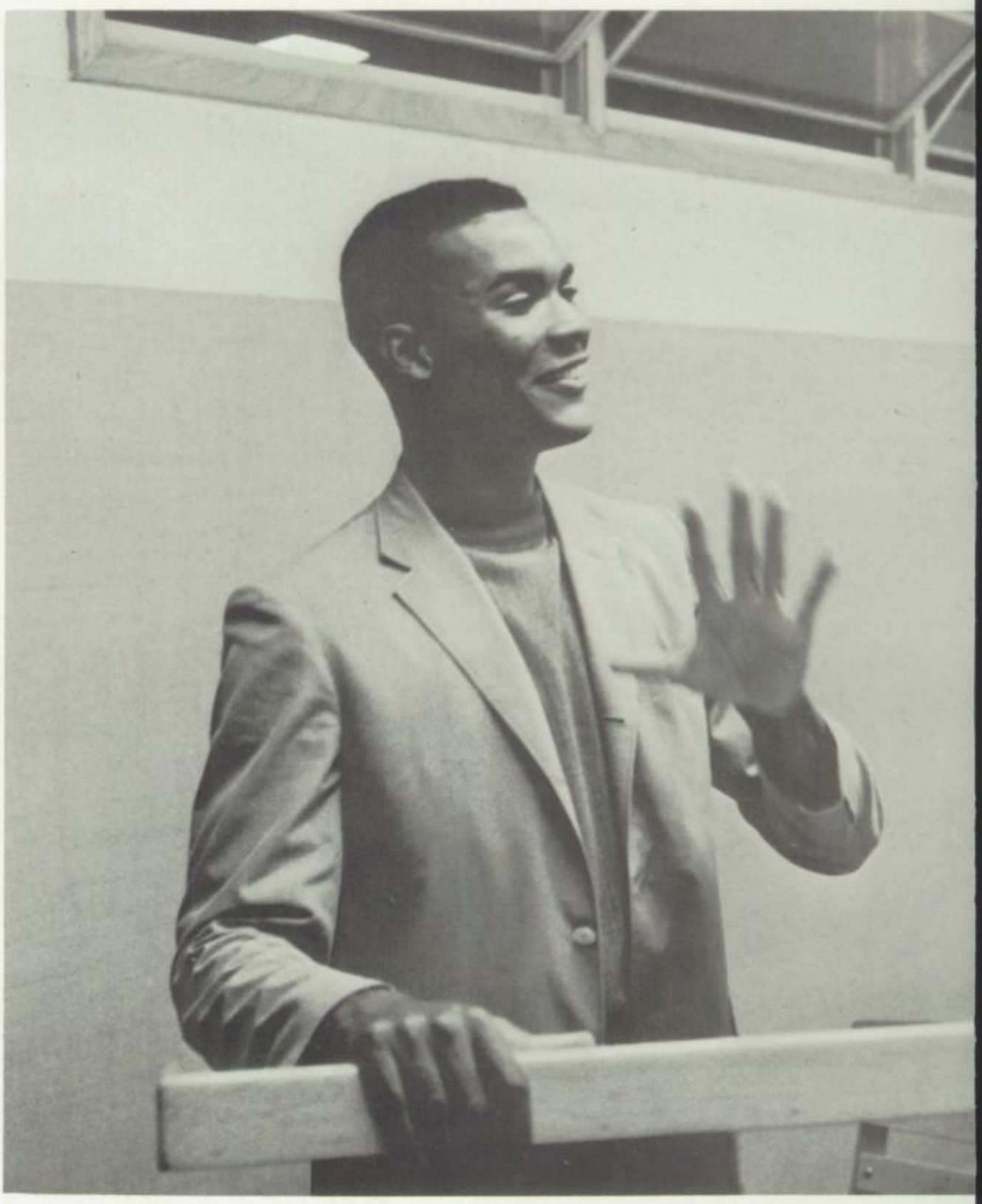
Ronnie Schneider—
University of St. Thomas

Larry Goins—
University of Texas

Kathleen Okruhlik–
Mary Gibbs Jones, Marquette University

Gary Mendel–
University of Houston

Patrick Stepchinski–
University of St. Thomas



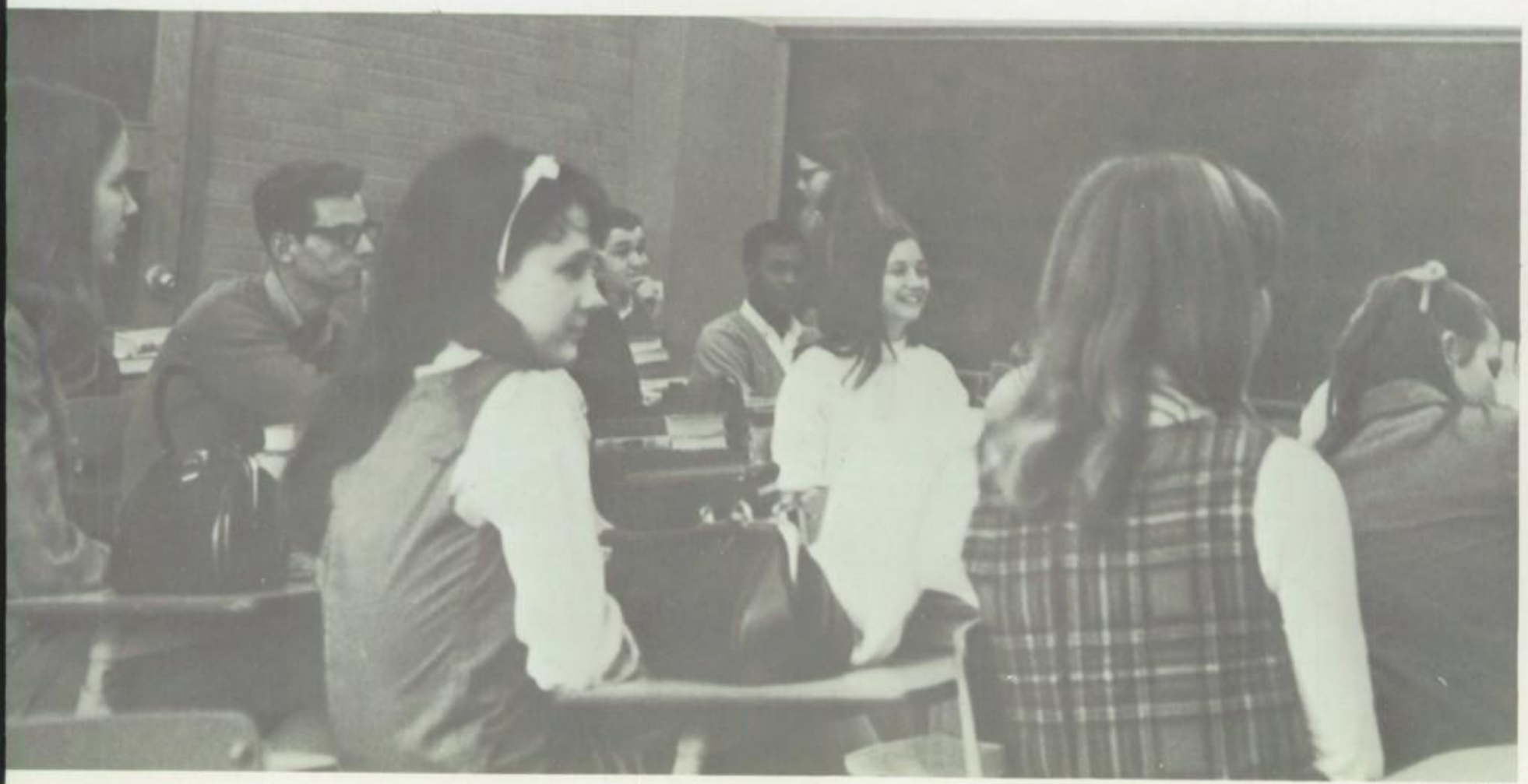
Walter Dorsey—
Parents' Association Scholarship

Richard Suter—
University of St. Thomas

Susi Kapczynski—
Rice University

Kay Warhol—
Rice University

Madelyn Masaryk—
Dominican College



MR. PANTHER

Richard Suter
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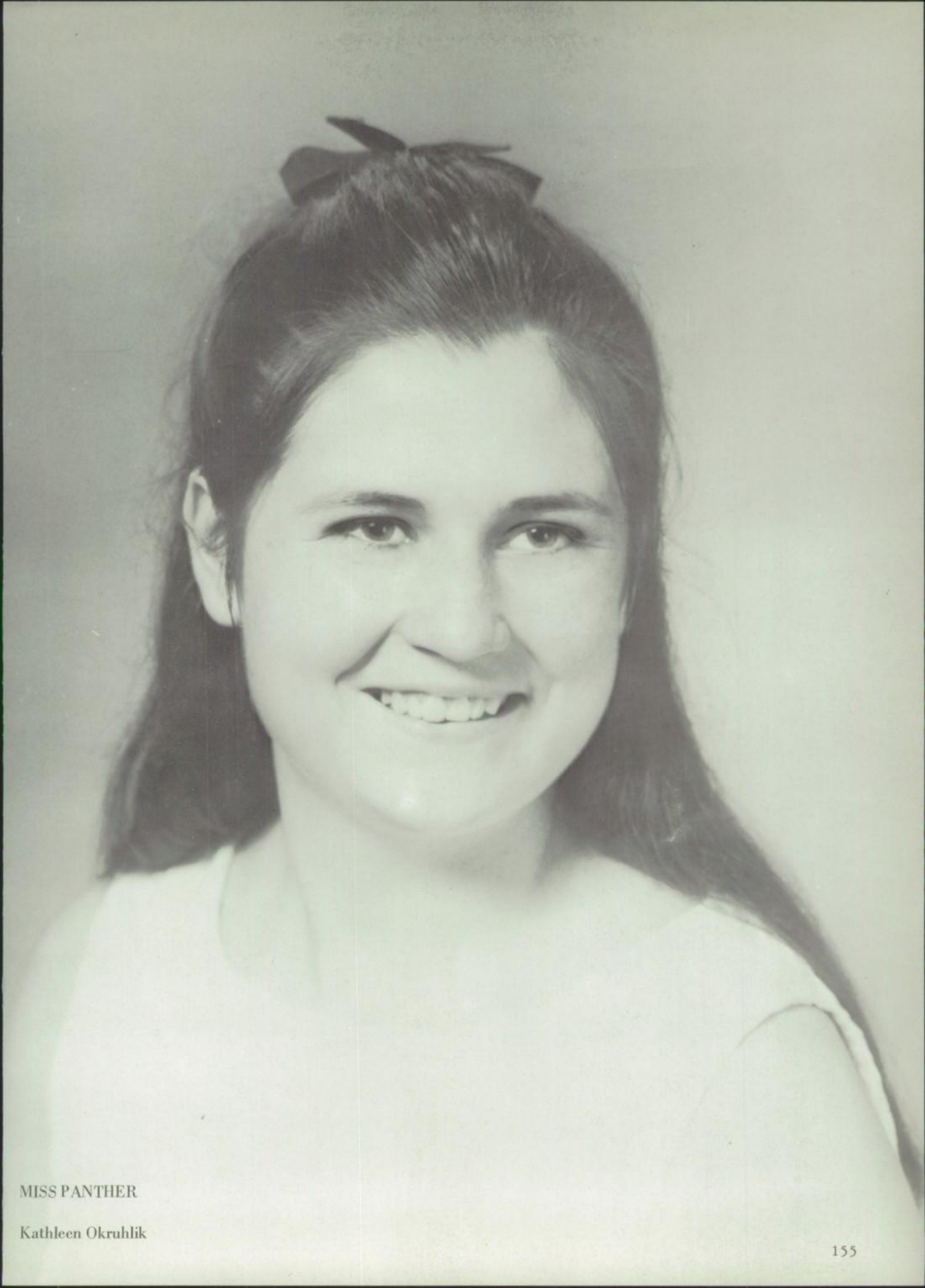
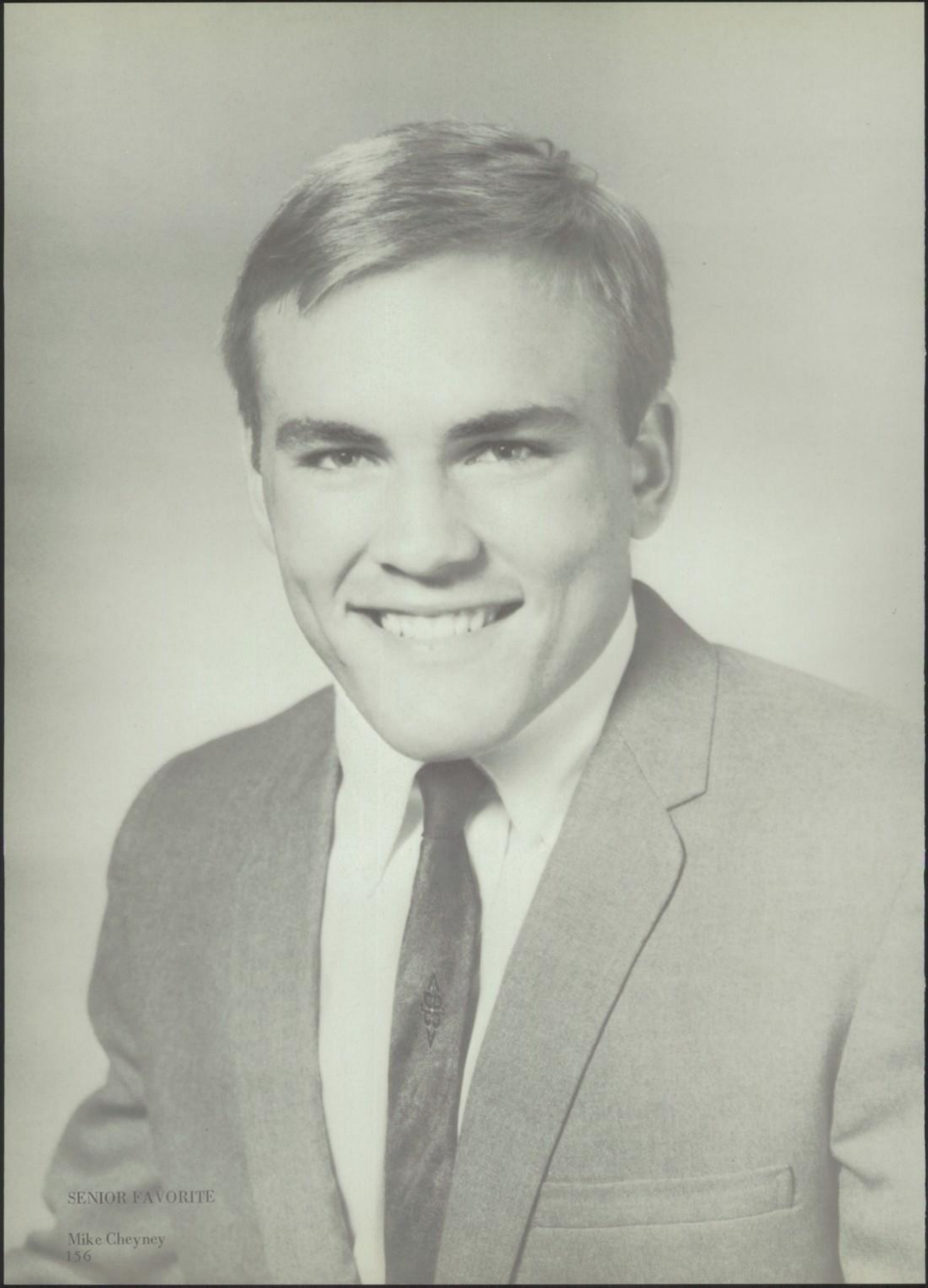


MISS PANTHER

Kathleen Okruhlik



SENIOR FAVORITE

Mike Cheyney
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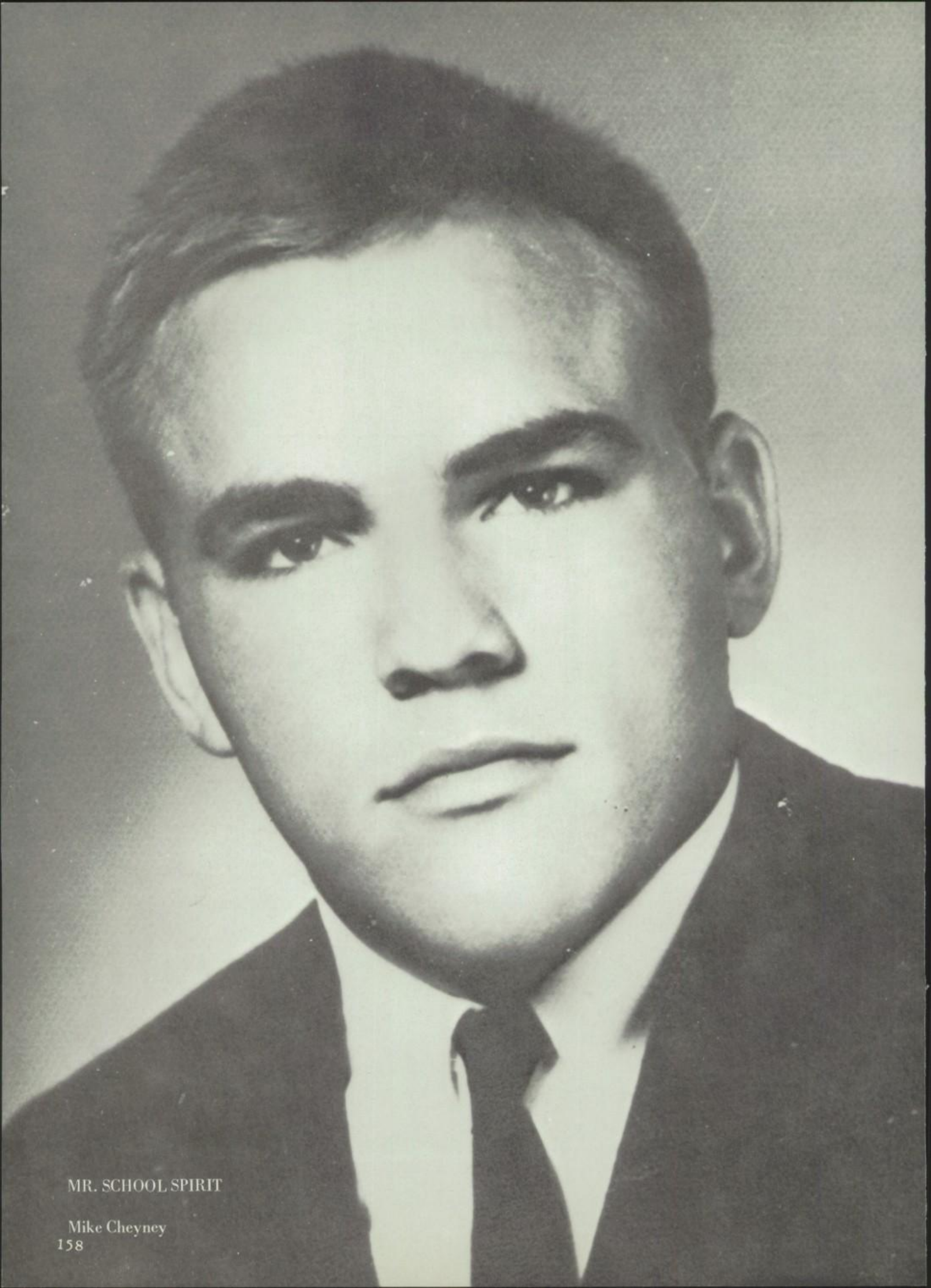
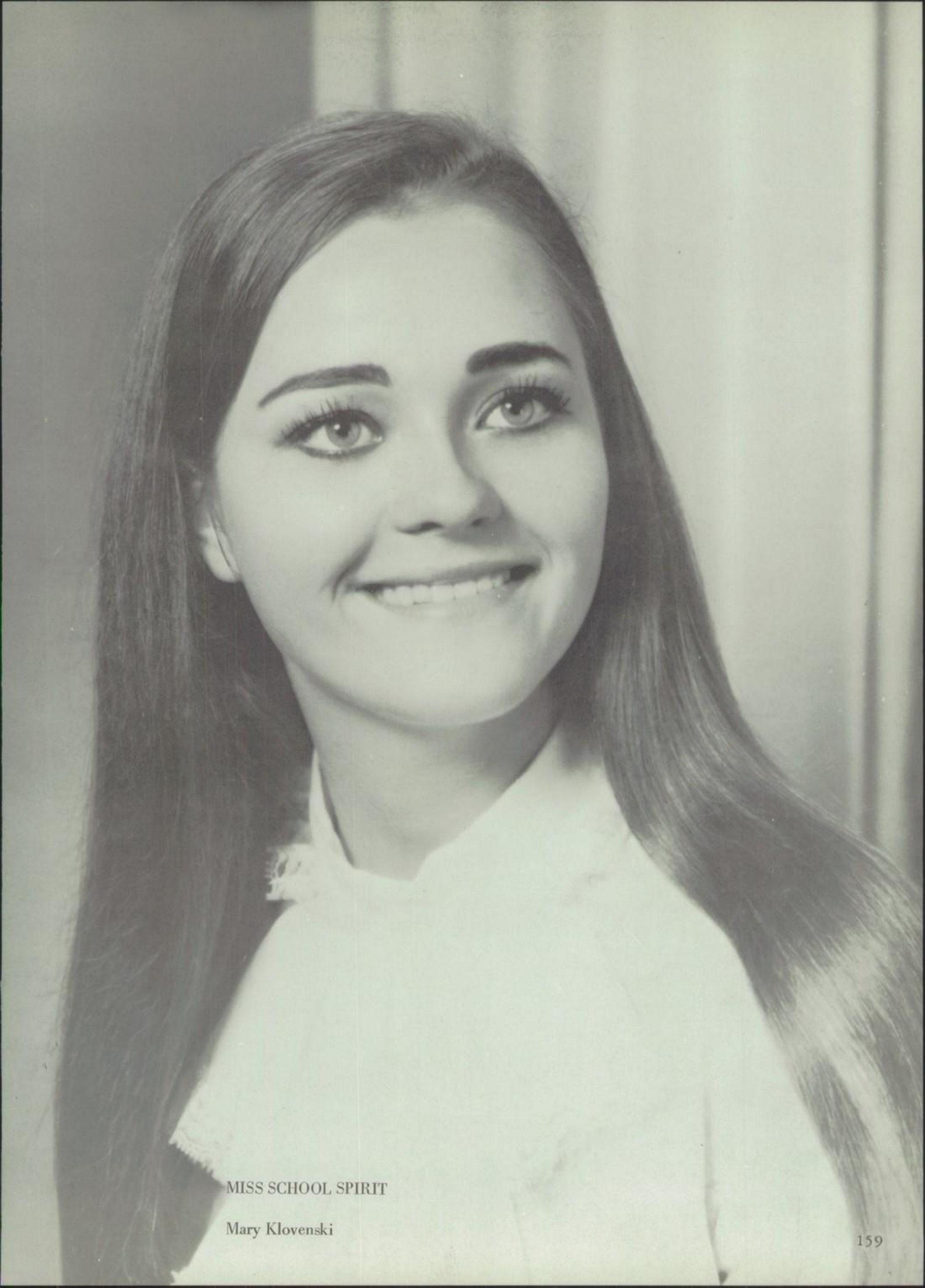
SENIOR FAVORITE

Debbie Groll



MR. SCHOOL SPIRIT

Mike Cheyney



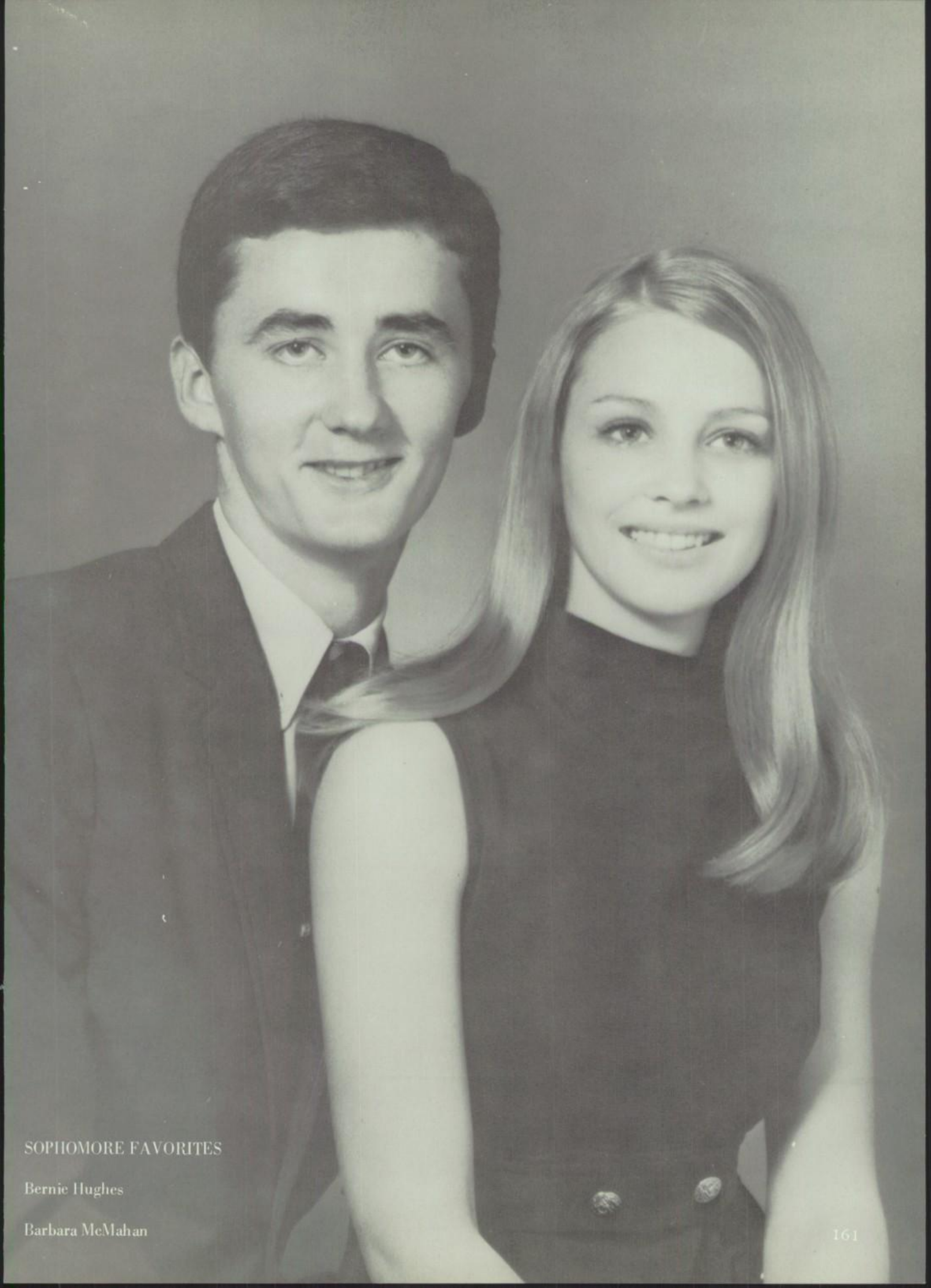
MISS SCHOOL SPIRIT

Mary Klovenski

JUNIOR FAVORITES

Joe de los Santos

Nancy May



SOPHOMORE FAVORITES

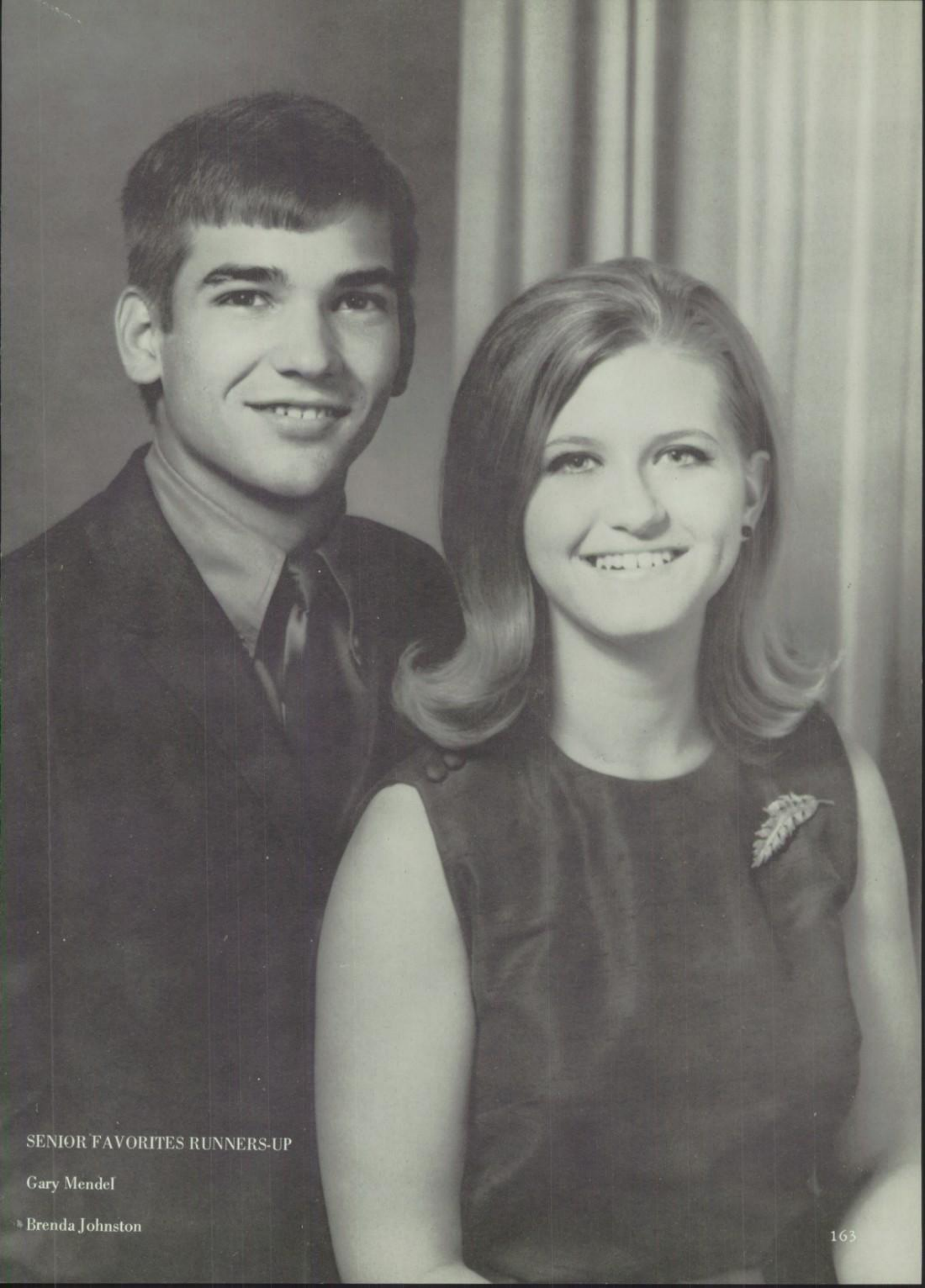
Bernie Hughes

Barbara McMahan

FRESHMAN FAVORITES

Gregory Appolito

Carol Holley



SENIOR FAVORITES RUNNERS-UP

Gary Mendel

Brenda Johnston

JUNIOR FAVORITES RUNNERS-UP

Debbie Waguespack

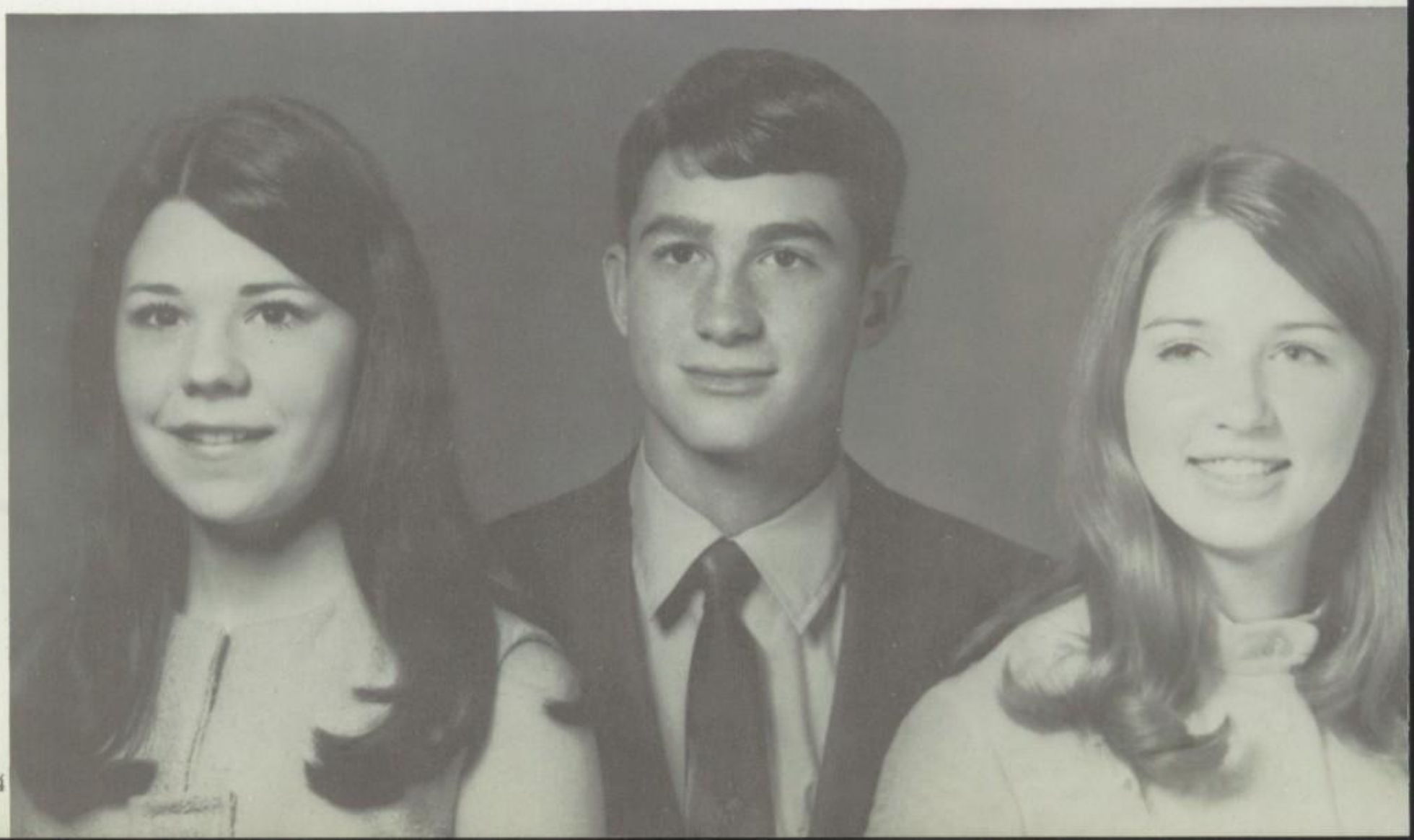
Haskell Ivy

SOPHOMORE FAVORITES RUNNERS-UP

Joanie Raines

Dennis Ivy

Diane Holley



FRESHMAN FAVORITES RUNNERS-UP

Paula Douglass

Vincent Kapczynski

John Suter

Mary Danna

Luke Pomilla

Academic Awards

Randy Riechle and Mary Casserly were chosen as representatives from St. Pius for Girl's State and Boy's State.

Senior, Kathleen Okruhlik received a letter naming her as a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Aline Miller, Kathleen Okruhlik, Stephen Bates, and Angelo Palazollo participated in the Annual Prep Bowl against Lamar High School.

SCIENCE:
Larry Landry
Greg Williams
Richard Suter

SOCIAL STUDIES:
Kathleen Okruhlik
Diane Polka

MATH:
Kay Warhol
Angelo Palazzalo
John Jacobs
Shirley Guenther
Mary Malonson
Norbert Madazia

JOURNALISM:
Pat Schreck
Larry Landry
Judy Emmons

BUSINESS:
Jackie Warzon
Darlene Palermo, also second place—Bookkeeping in the A.C.B.E.A. Contest
Brenda Johnston, also second place—Typing II in the A.C.B.E.A. Contest
Nancy Kominczak, also third place—Bookkeeping in the A.C.B.E.A. Contest
Angelo Palazzolo, also first place—Bookkeeping in the A.C.B.E.A. Contest
Marcia Lopries

Mary Januhowski placed first in shorthand in the A.C.B.E.A. Contest held at Our Lady of the Lake College in San Antonio.

Beverly Ognowski placed first in Spelling in the A.C.B.E.A. Contest.

SPEECH:
Gloria Cykala
Walter Dorsey

ART:
Cathy Hons

ENGLISH:
Karen Indellicati
Debbie Groll
Rick Baker

LANGUAGE:
Suzi Kapczyski
Peggy Okruhlik
Mary Malonson
Darlene Owens
Juliette Wisnoski
Walter Dorsey
Patsy Salvato

SILVER BELL BALL QUEEN
Vicky Christian

VALENTINE SWEETHEART
Jo Ann McMahon
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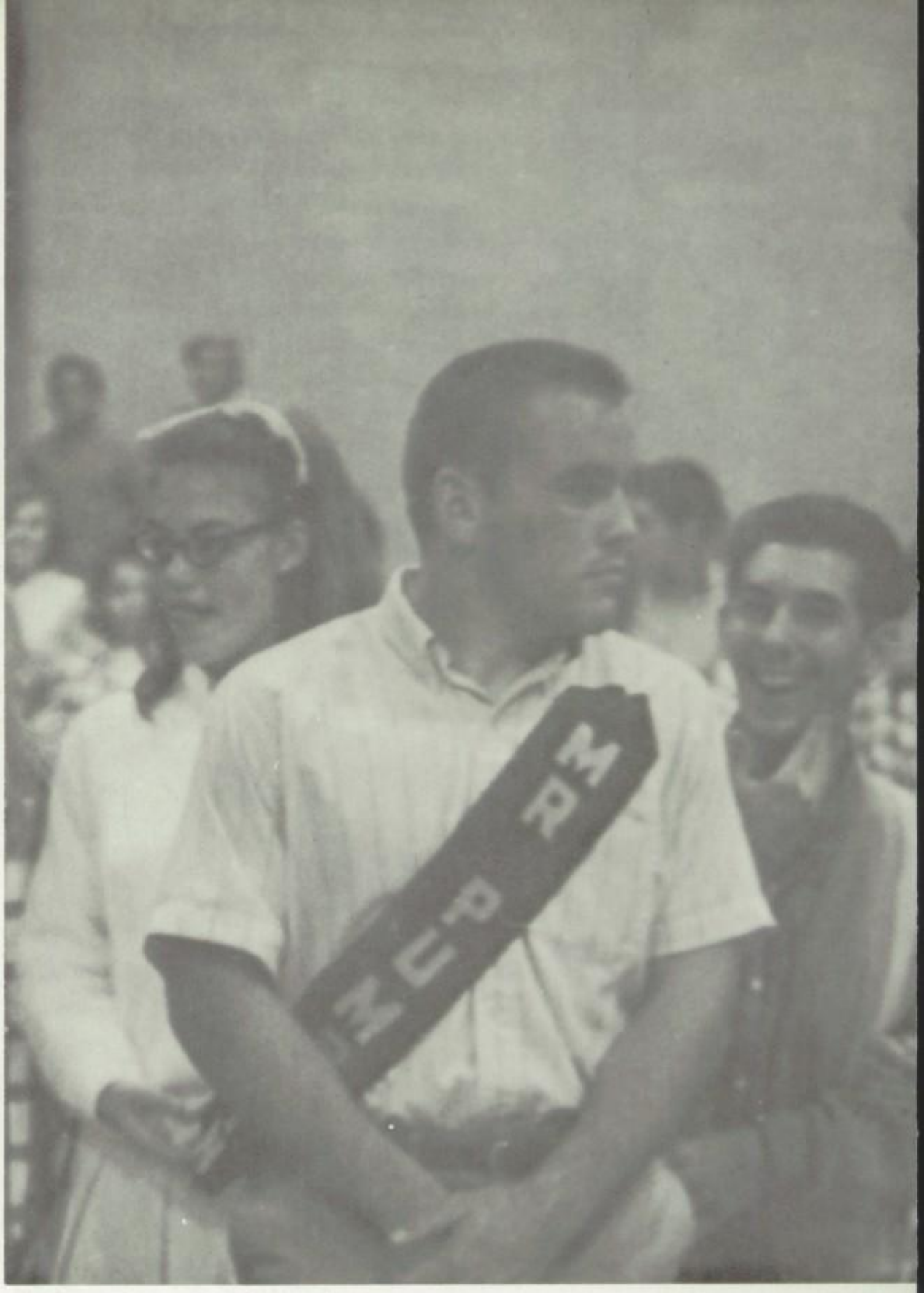
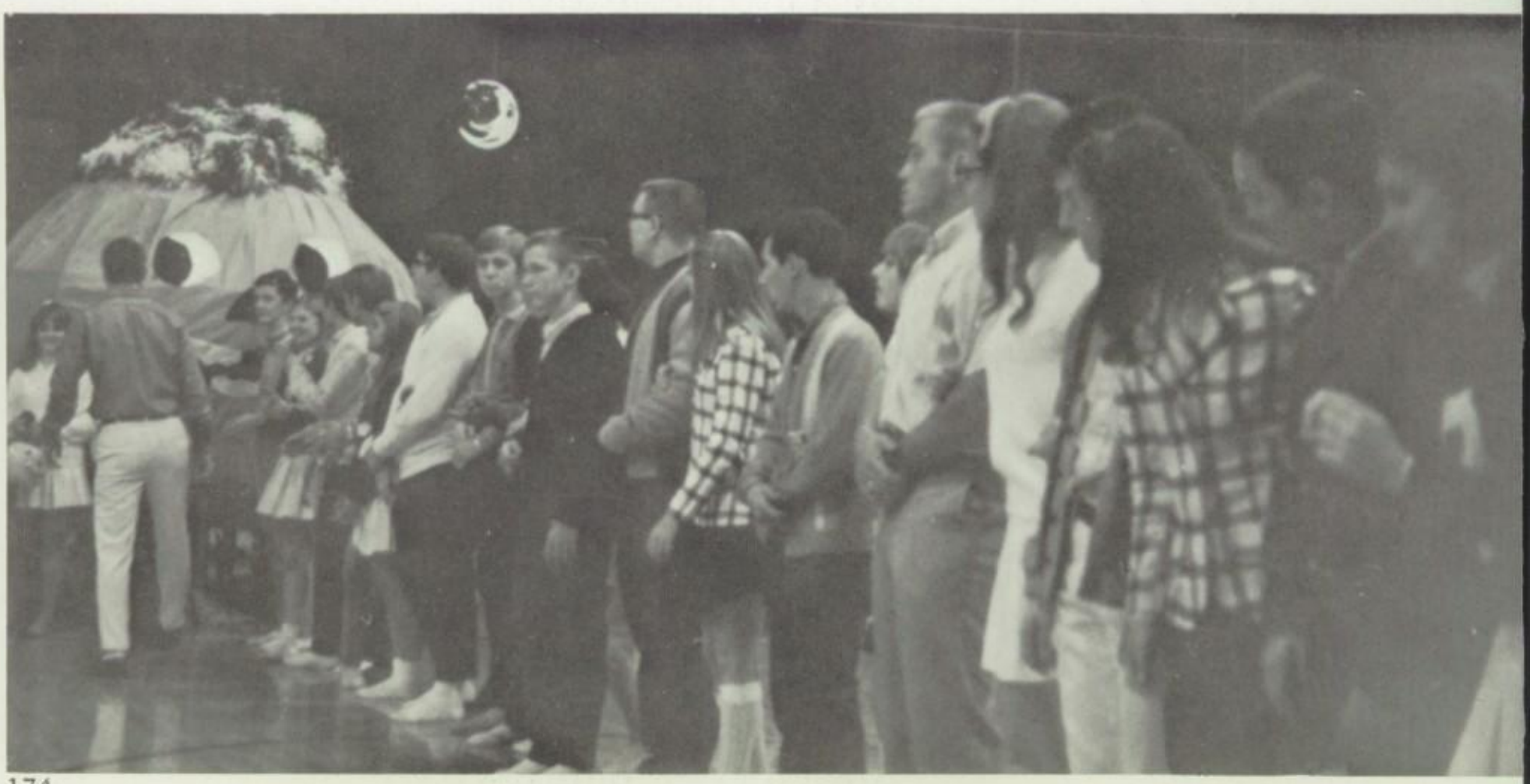
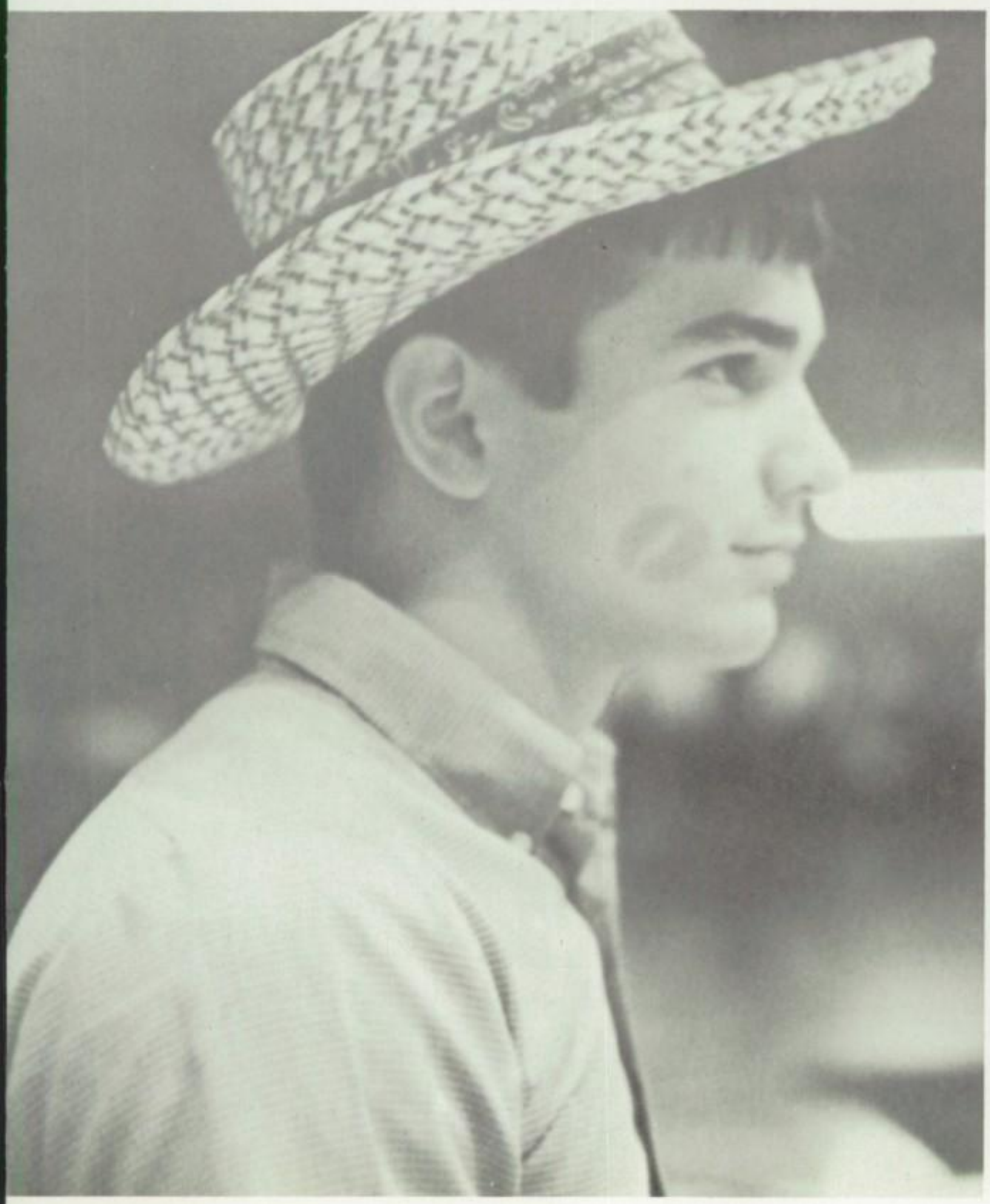
PANTHERETTE
Gloria Cykala



MR. PUMPKIN—Mike Cheney

The candidates for Mr. Pumpkin wait anxiously before Mike Cheney is announced the winner.





The joy of Twirp King is experienced by Gary Mendel and his escort Debbie Groll.

TWIRP KING

Gary Mendel

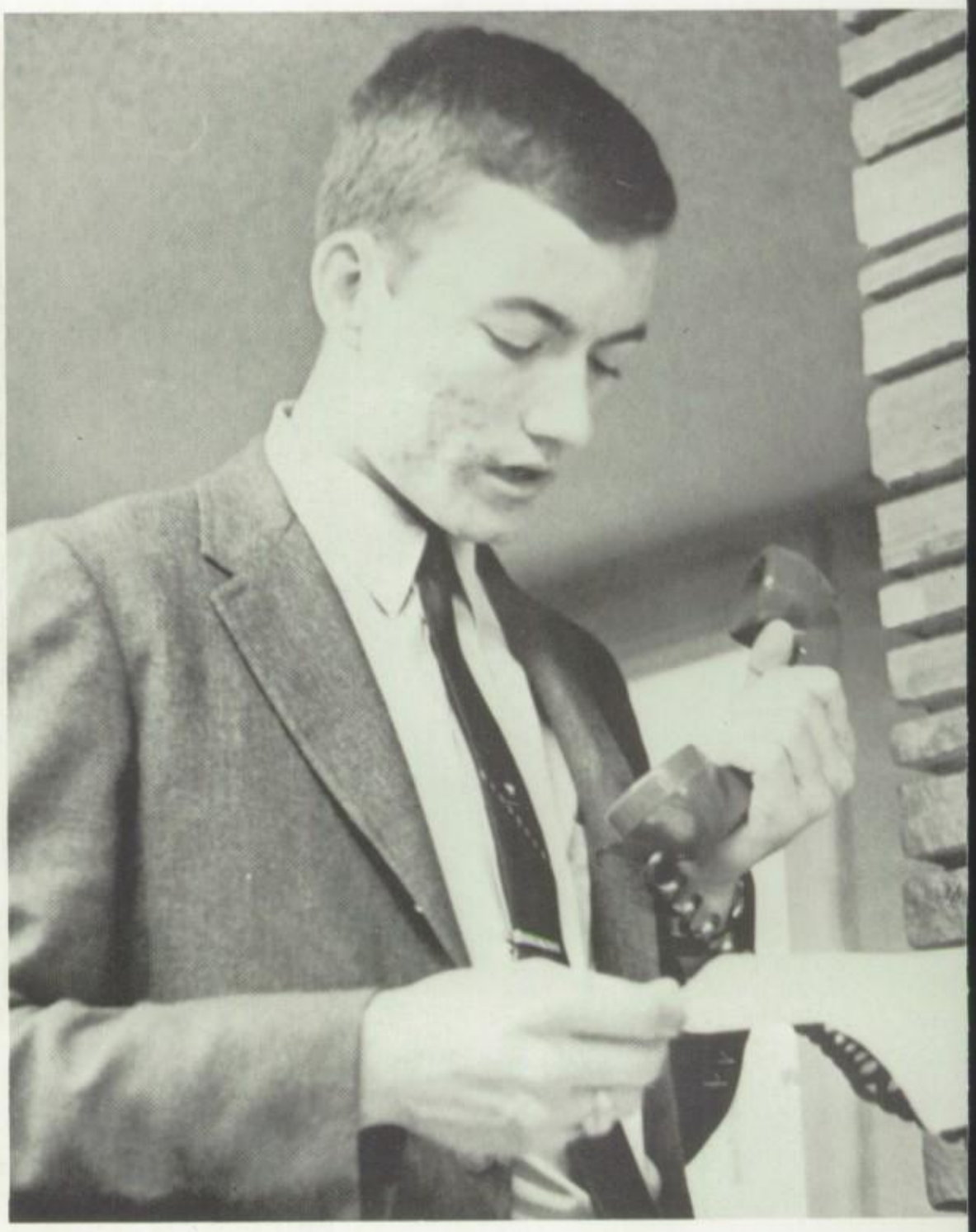
Organizations

"Organizations
are the key to success!"
says communications
—Terry Sienkiewich

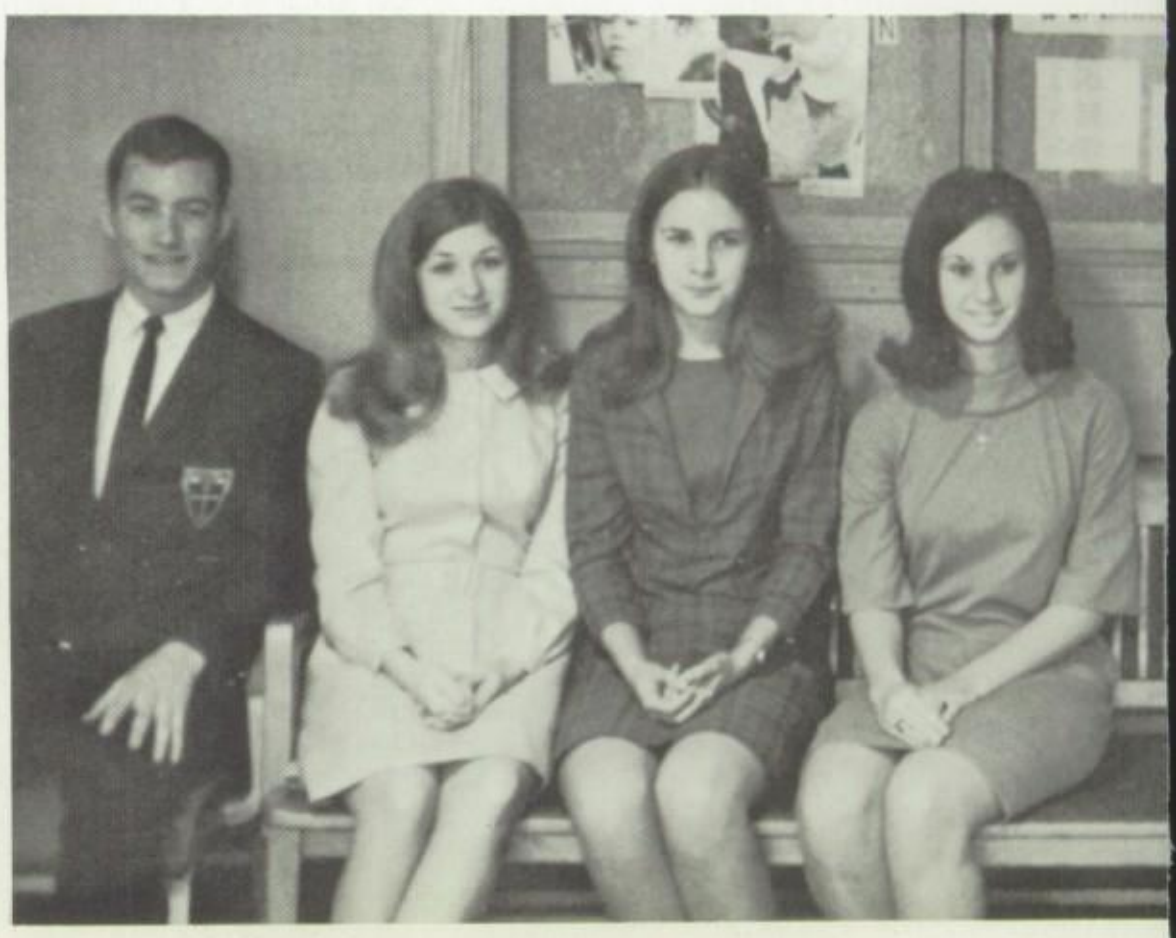
The Student Council

"Attention student body!"

Always willing to lend a hand, Sister Regis smiled while her picture is taken. One always wondered how she kept going as dean, assistant principal, teacher and sponsor of Student Council.



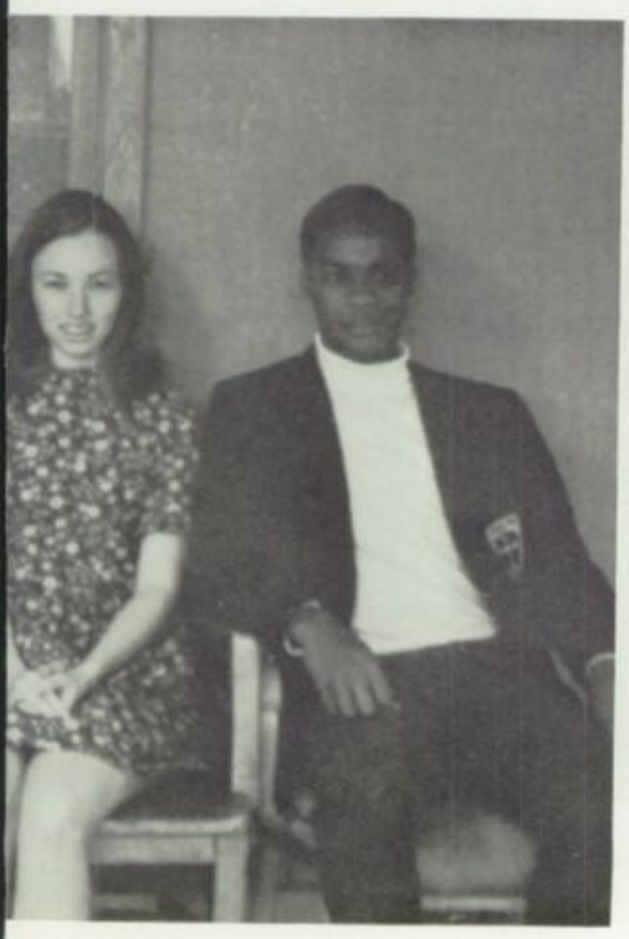
Busy executive board members took time out for pictures. From left to right: Richard Suter, president; Nancy Holub, corresponding secretary; Kay Warhol, public relations secretary; Gloria Cykala, recording secretary; Francie Fisher, Treasurer; and Walter Dorsey, vice-president.



Begins And Ends With Fun

From beginning to end and from "Attention, student body!" to a farewell speech, the hard working Student Council has been a promoter of student activities. They have not only been a mediator between faculty and students, but have made sure that things begun were finished, and efforts rewarded. This is a club where everyone's opinion counts. One where even a small problem is as important as a larger one, and no undertaking is too great. A quality of responsibility is required here—one in which the members are full of and take pride in.

Candidates for the Silver Bell Ball sponsored by the Student Council were sophomore, Barbara McMahon; senior, Vicky Christian; junior, Debbie Waguespack; and freshman, Mary Danna.



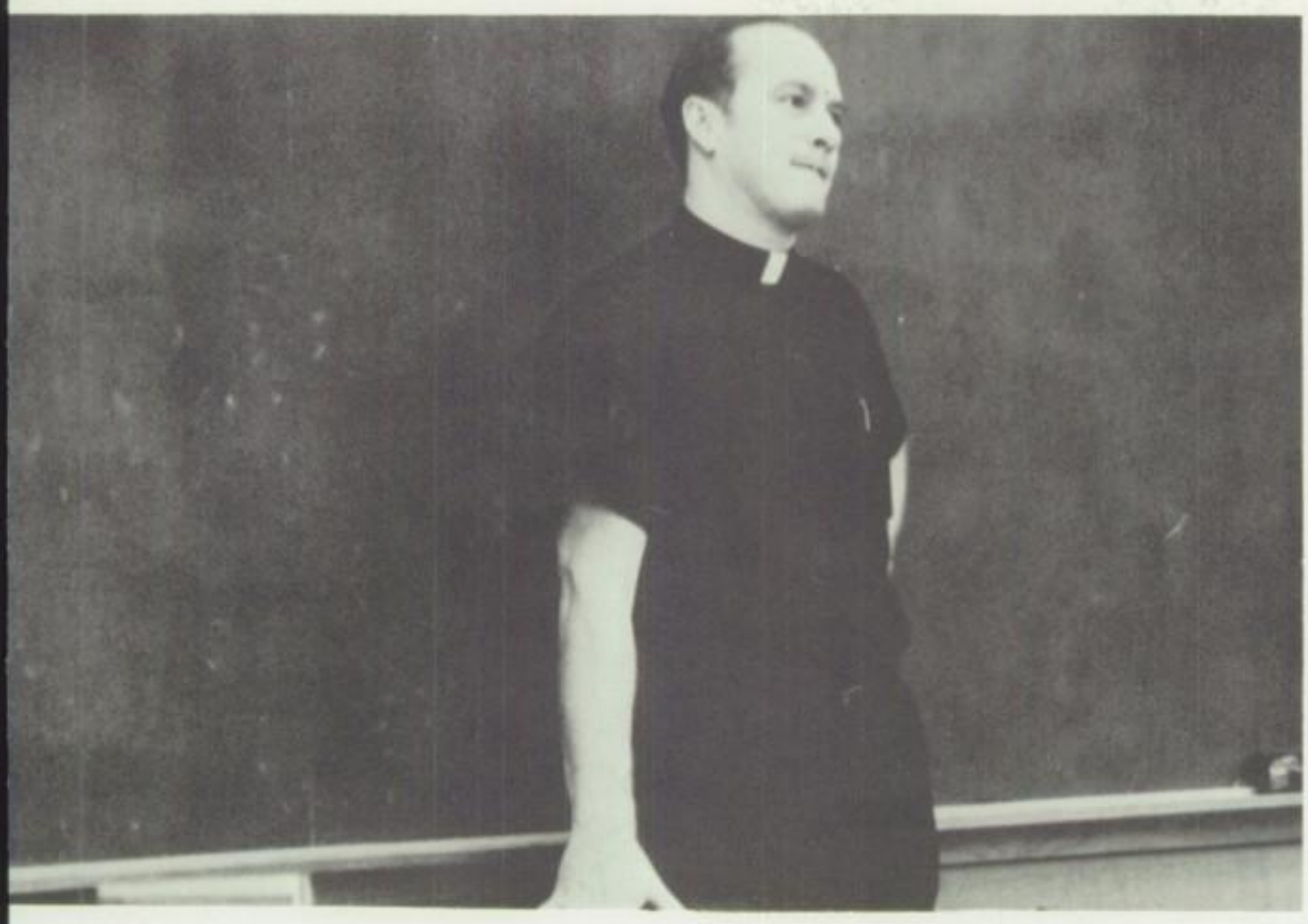
The Student Council met once a week to represent students' actions and ideas.

"Do I hear a bid of two cents? Sold to the boy in the back with the crossed eyes!"

Colleen Langley and David Quintero strolled casually along the stage of the Fashion Show.

Due to Richard's absence because of participation in the State Track Meet in Dallas, Walter assumed his duties in Student Council.

Interracial Council



Father Dvorak listened intently to the ideas of today's teenagers on prejudice and racial injustice.

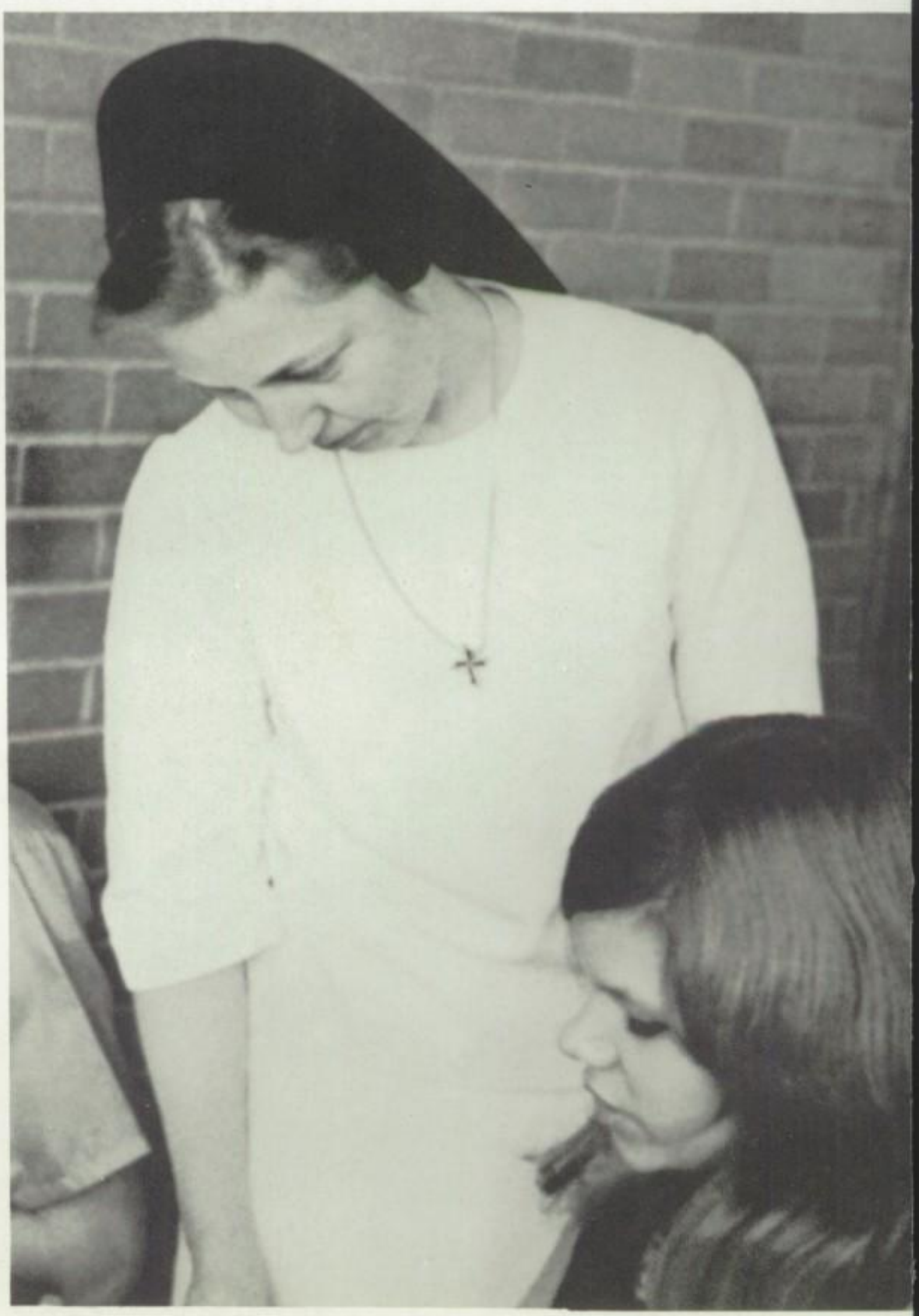
The Wheatley Players, presented a historical drama of racial prejudice for the student body.

Members gathered on Sunday mornings "... not only to understand our black brother but also ourselves."

Officers discuss club plans: president, Larry Landry; vice-president, Nancy Holub; secretary, Susi Kapczynski; and treasurer, Elizabeth Telotta.

Miss Mary Finn gave an inspiring talk of this glamorous life of the airlines.

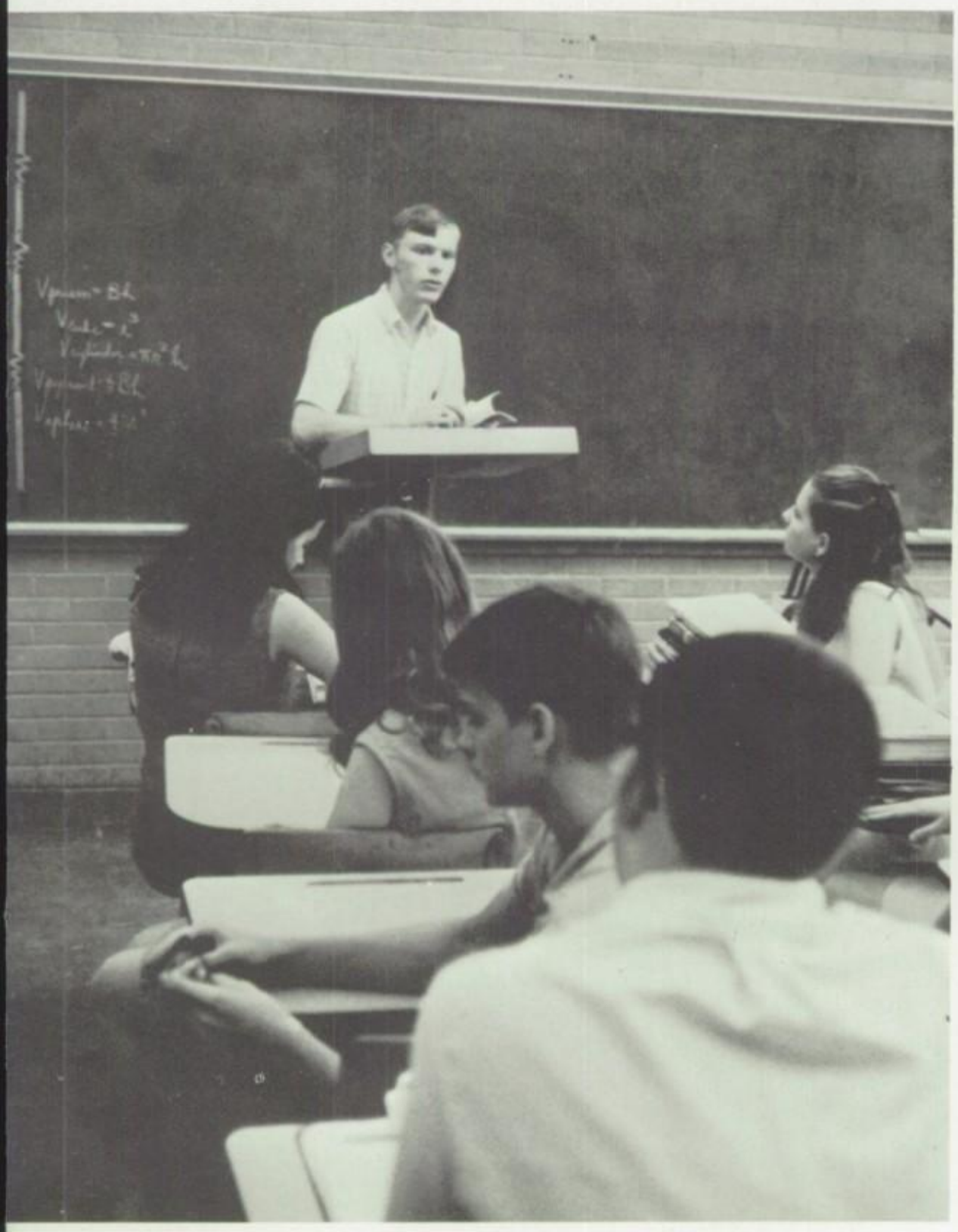
Sister Mary Phyllis finds being NHS sponsor as much fun as being a teacher.



National Honor Society Sponsors

Career Week 1969

Leadership, scholarship, character, and service—four very important qualities to have, and those who do have them, develop them, and use them in life are the kind of people chosen for the National Honor Society. To lead everyone to scholarly interests and developing character by serving them with educational entertainment are some of the functions of this particular organization. There is no other club like it and each member is to be commended.



Serious faces in the heart of a serious matter—the installing of the provisional members.

Boys become future draftees in this Army lecture.

Convention Brings "Miss F.T.A."

When little girls are asked what they'd like to be when they grow up, the answer most of the time is a teacher. These girls have obviously outgrown this stage and have developed into a club designed for those seriously considering accepting the challenge of educating the next generation and thus, the next world. It is with this in mind that conventions, meetings, and tutoring were so well participated in.

The demand for good, qualified teachers is increasing rapidly every day, so take a hard look at the St. Pius F.T.A.–they may be the ones instructing your children.

Officers consult with their sponsor, Sister Lauren, about future plans for the Future Teachers Association.

Members discuss old and new business.

. . . and this is the St. Pius X "Miss F.T.A."

The future teachers "goof-off" in Austin.

Officers left to right: Theresa Hughs, treasurer; Ginny Ragar, vice-president; Bridgette White, president; Debbie Bielamowicz, secretary; and Sharon McKenna, parliamentarian.

Red Cross Spells Out Service

"Red Cross is our name and service is our aim." This seemed to be the motto that has been placed on this small but out-going club. Initiative and good will complemented both members and sponsor as they so willingly gave up their time to sing Christmas carols to an old folks home or make Easter baskets for a hospital. We could never forget the effort put out to fill Christmas stockings for the less fortunate. Exclaimed president, Cheryll Paradoski, "great things come in small numbers," and secretary, Amy McCullar agreed.

Red Cross members designed Easter baskets for hospital patients.

Debbie ruffled crepe paper for sponsor Sr. Theresa and Cheryll.

Amy and Colleen taped crepe paper down.

Francie admired her finished product.

Business Club Stays Busy

During the past school year the Business Club undertook many successful projects. Starting the year they printed and sold the Student Directories. The club sponsored the "Happening" sock hop and inverted its profits in a Mutual Fund. For Valentine's Day they partook in the annual project of sending telegrams and carnations to sweethearts, friends, teachers, and enemies. The Business Club members toured the Business Department at Dominican College and had numerous speakers during the year. With the profits made, the club purchased a wall display for the first place trophy the business students won in the annual Business Contest in San Antonio. Officers this year were: president, Brenda Johnston; vice-president, Janet Gentry; secretary, Colleen Pohlmeyer; treasurer, Barbara Wise; and parliamentarian, Debbie Groll.

Jackie Warzon handed out pages of student directories for Mary Zientek to type.

Sr. Lavergne, sponsor of the Business Club.

Members listened very carefully as an important meeting is carried on.

G.A.A. Sponsored Powder Puff Game

Mrs. Higgins tensely watched a close game.

Officers for the G.A.A. were: Mary Casserly; vice-president, Regina Sivcoski; secretary, Bernadette Garay; treasurer, Bernadette Malek; parliamentarian; and Loritta Snider; president.

The girls enjoyed the informal atmosphere of a meeting.

The Girls Athletic Association, sponsored by Mrs. Higgins, hoped to stimulate interest and good sportsmanship in both girls and boys sports. Various activities of the club included sponsoring of the powderpuff football game, the selling of "Fighting Panthers" bumper stickers, and the hosting of the 1968-1969 C.G.L. Basketball Tournament. The girls also planned to spend two days at Camp Cho-Yeh this year. For the first time, the girls have been invited to attend the annual Athletic Banquet, which was only for boys before this year. The girls had a really exciting year.

Members of the Girls' Athletic Association listened attentively at one of their monthly meetings.

The G.A.A. sponsored the powderpuff football game in which the freshmen and seniors played the sophomores and juniors.

The sophomores and juniors joyously left the field after a hard and deserving victory.

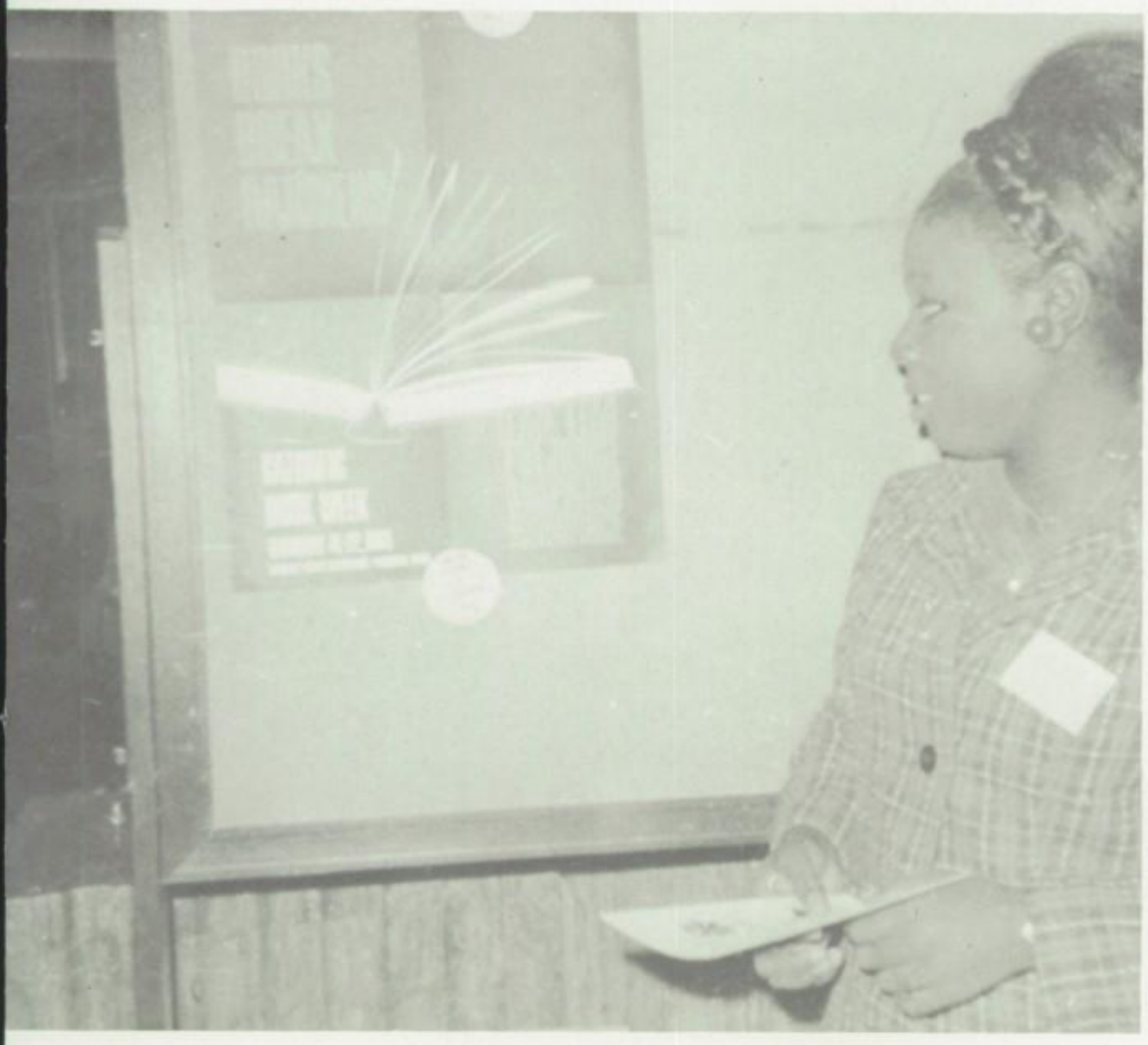
Library Breaks Barriers

Paula Thompson and Janice Lastovica display 116's bulletin board which tied for first place with 117 in the Library Club's bulletin board contest.

Sister Claude, sponsor of the Library Club, is constantly thinking up new ideas to make the Club successful.

Officers are: Paula Thompson, secretary; David Paulk, president; Anthony Porcarello, vice president; Cynthia Derkowski, treasurer.

Sr. Claude, the librarian shows Larry Shook how to work one of the latest model filmstrip projectors while Barbara and Karen look on.



Doranita Bates, one of the members of the library club, stands back to survey one of the National Book Week posters she displayed over the Information Booth at the State TALA Annual Conference.

El Club De Español

Miss Hubenick, the new Spanish sponsor, enjoyed reading up on new ideas for teaching.

President Jackie Warzon, vice-president Joe de los Santos, and secretary Mary Casserly get ready to leave for the parade along with some members of the Spanish Club.

George Spindler, Candace Bernier, Sr. Isabel and Jackie Warzon pack Halloween candy for the children at St. Stephen's and St. Joseph's parishes.

Members of the Spanish Club baked for hours to provide poor children with cupcakes on Valentine Day

Sr. Isabel, the sponsor of the Spanish Club is busy at work helping make the clothing drive a success at thanksgiving.

Mary and Jackie had a bundle of work for their Thanksgiving project.

Sister Isabel passed out plates to hungry hosts and their guests.

During the Christmas holidays, the Spanish Club and members entertained visitors from Tampico, Mexico.

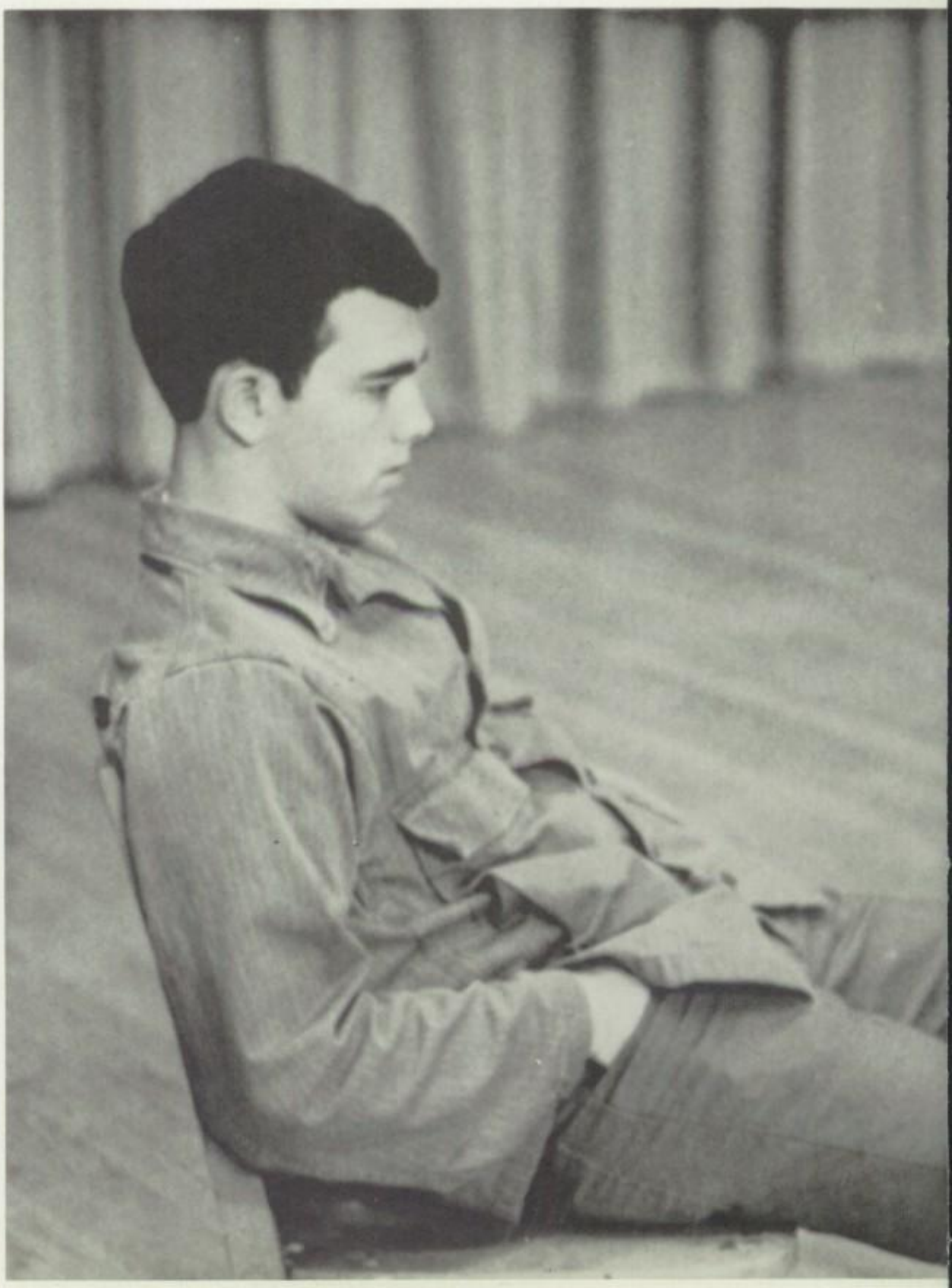
Spanish Club officers were: Charles Kmiecik; advisor, Candy Bernier; advisor, Sandy Leggio; treasurer, Mary Casserly; secretary, Joe de los Santos; vice-president, Jackie Warzon; president, George Spindler, advisor.

Gary Mendel played host for one of the Mexican guests.

Could it be that Rhonda has her eye on two boys from Mexico?

Drama Club

Larry Landry and Walter Dorsey star in "Fam Yam."



Hugh does some pretty deep thinking on new ideas for his "Happening."

Drama Club members find that acting isn't the only thing involved in presenting a play.

Drama director, Hugh La Vier prompts Vicky Christian and Richard Suter during their practice for "Brandy, Wine and Diamonds."

Liz and Walter reflect on techniques used by a makeup artist.

Pantherette Life

When the cheerleaders introduced the cheer beginning with "Spirit, drive, ability," they could have easily been talking of the Pantherettes. Why? It takes a whole heart full of spirit to keep practicing in the blistering heat or freezing rain or to keep marching through slushy mud when you're soaked and cold.

It takes drive to take criticism as a help and to go through a routine just once more even though your head aches and feet hurt—drive, to listen to "Guide right" or "Parade rest" for hours on end.

Lastly, ability to raise those knees high, to show all of Houston how hard you've worked as you swing your pom-poms down the city streets and prove to yourself and your school that you're proud to say "I'm a Pius marching Pantherette!"

Valerie decides to go on a sit-down strike after a long hard practice.

Mr. Markley cuts up with officers.

Pantherettes have that certain never ending spirit.

Neither rain not snow nor gloom of night will keep drum major, Pat Biondillo from issuing signals to the band and Pantherettes.

Yeah, Panthers! Go, Team, Go!

Band Life

Today, St. Pius—Tomorrow Carnegie Hall.

Nancy May grinned happily when announced Outstanding Band Member at the Pantherette Ball.

Leslie wondered if his time would ever come.

Ballet Troupe - A Tribute To Culture

A jazz with pazazz!

Mike Cheyney held the title "Mr. Pumpkin" at the Halloween sock hop sponsored by the Ballet Troupe.

Miss Hallie Pritchard instructed the troupe in ballet techniques.

David Quintero displayed talents as a great dancer.

Rita, Liz and Cheryll perform a classical ballet.

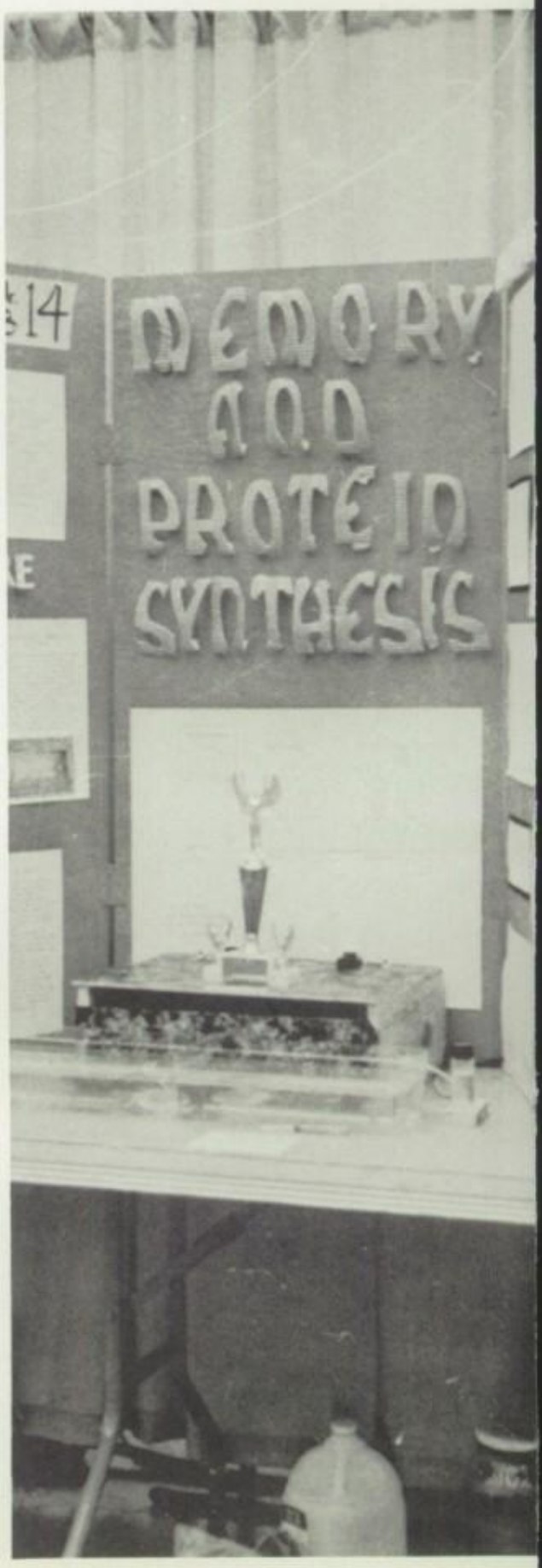
Ballet Troup officers were: Barbara Borski; treasurer, Liz Tellota; president, Janice Hill; secretary, and Terry Sienkiewich; vice-president.

Eager Beavers In Biology

What is the Biology club made of? Snakes, and snails and puppy dog tails? Perhaps, but Sister Ann would rather believe it is a group of "homo sapiens" (human beings) united together in order to learn more about the biological world we live in and to gain a respect for nature.

Biology Club officers were president, Tommy Langley and secretary, Kathy Lewandowski.

Future biologist posed with sponsor Sister Ann.

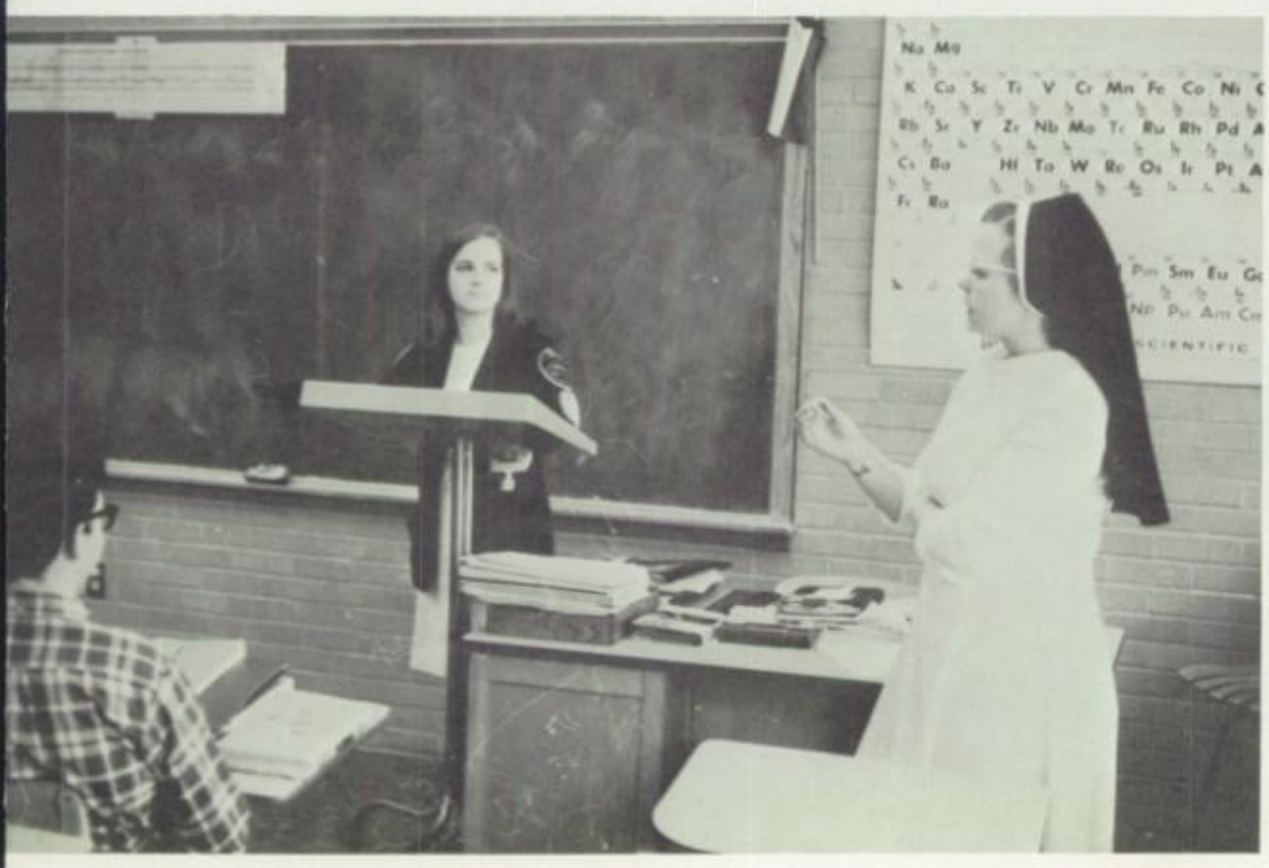


Dick Yee's project that brought back a trophy.

Chemistry Explodes

Members listened with a hard ear while discussing ways to promote general interest.

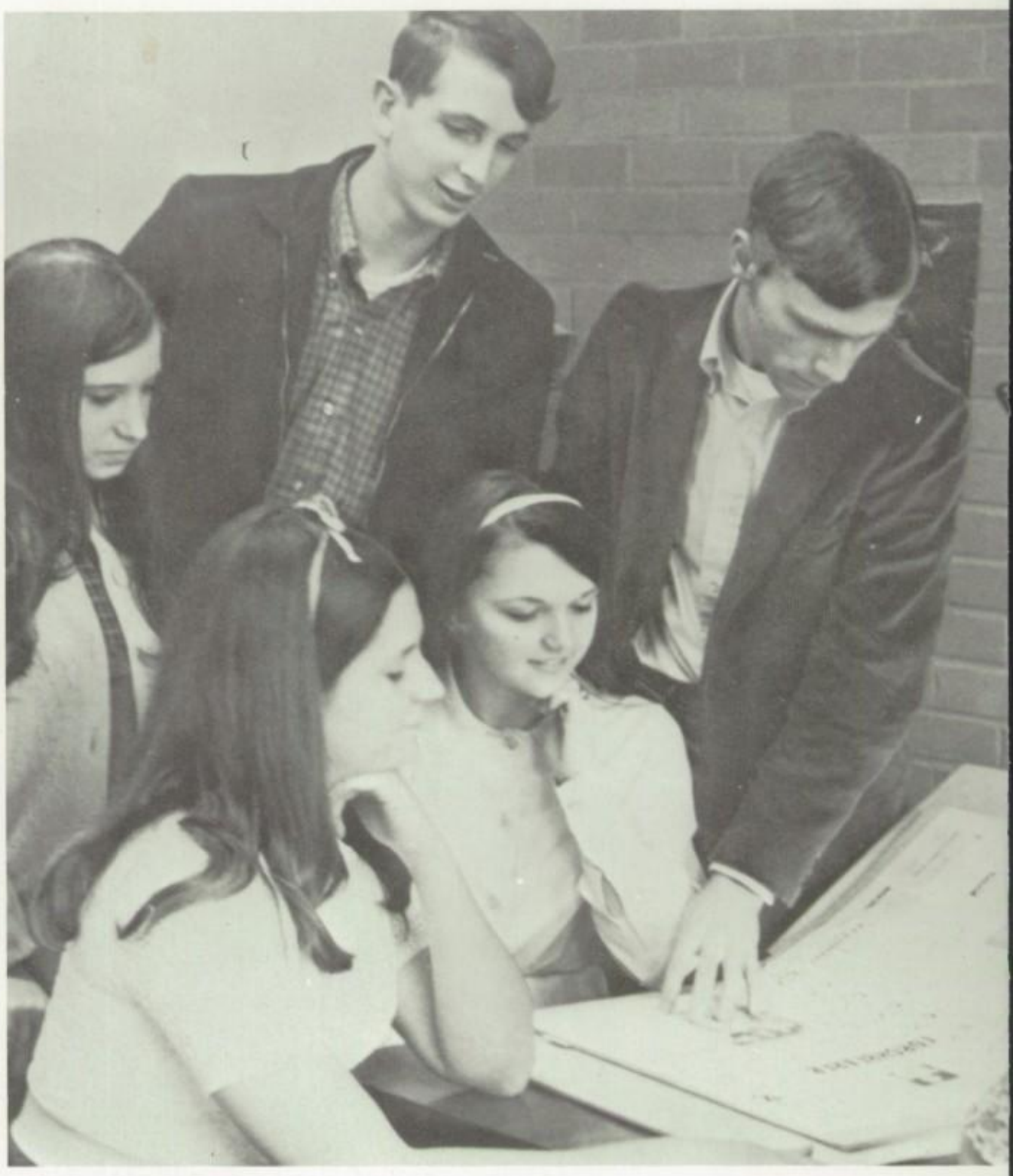
Mr. Gomez from the Big Three Gas Company explained principals of gas chromotography.



Things boomed in the Chemistry class.

Sponsor, Sister Lou Ann informed president Suzi Kapczynski of future plans.

Tales And Headlines



Editor, business manager, and photographer looked over year's work with great satisfaction.

Always willing to give advice was sponsor, Sr. Christine.

Pat Shreck, Paul Revere of the Torch-bearer, always off to the printers, took time to work on a layout with Janice Snow.

Hold Key To What's Happening

Torchbearer staff given special award and our own paper received "Best All-Around" the Texas Gulf Coast High School Press Association.

"Oh dear, what if this headline doesn't fit?!!"

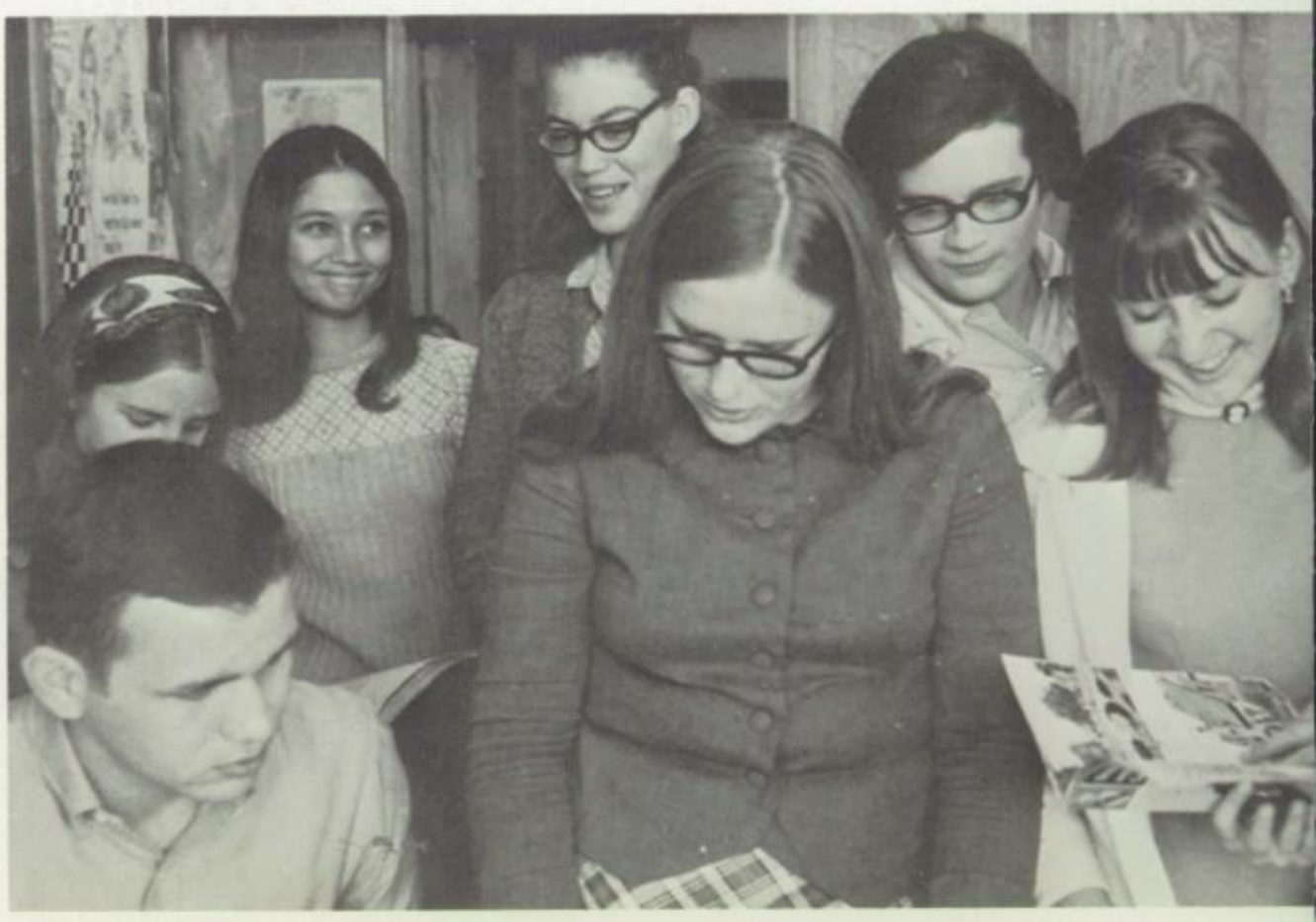
The "Spirit Contest" sponsored by KILT was pushed by the Torchbearer. Just ask Cheryll, Janice and Kim.

Literary Magazine

Sr. Eileen, the sponsor of the Literary Magazine explains the development of a haiku.

" '. . . our marks, our PAW PRINTS' how's that for an introduction?"

The members of the Literary Magazine make an important decision.



Del Sarto tells it Like it is

Camera bug!!!!!!

Without helpful hints from our representative, Mr. Clyde Price, this yearbook would not have been possible.

The yearbook staff this year was: Karen Straub; Photo Manager, Gloria Cykala; Copy Editor, Sr. Marguerite; Sponsor, Jerold Walkoviak; Editor-in-chief, Cathy Hons; Layout Editor, Vicky Christian; Business Manager, Marilyn Zawacki; Advertising Manager, and Darnel Darbonne; Head Photographer.

John drew his own layout and let Ed, Herbert, and Harvey argue about their choices.

John, Judy, Joe, Walta, and Ed reviewed past yearbooks for layout design.

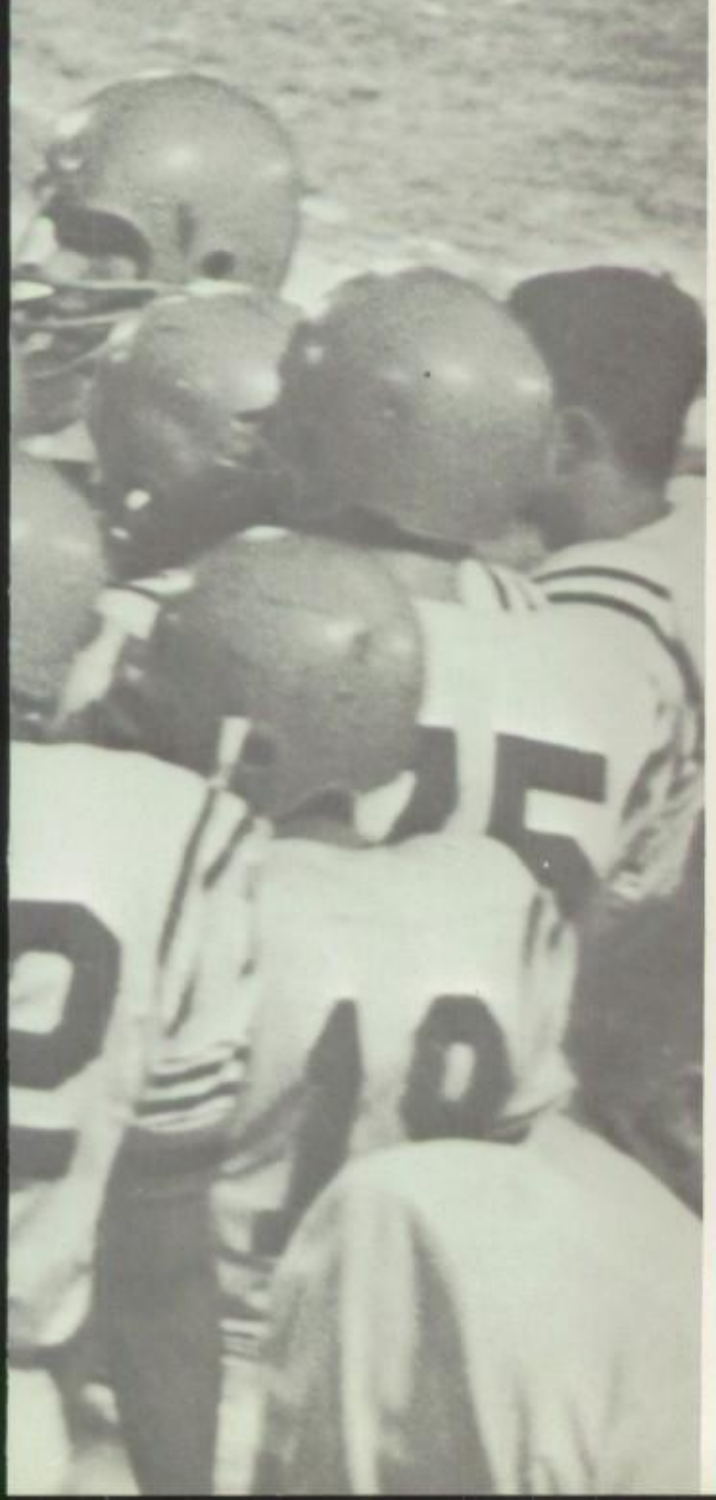
"What's a nice guy like me doing in a place like this?"

Decisions, decisions, decisions!

Marilyn, Madelyn, and Chris hard at work??

Yearbook and journalism members left the A&M Workshop determined to make St. Pius well represented.

High ad salesman, Walta Kirk, made all the color in this book possible. Thanks from all of us, Walta!



Sports

Terry Collier

Debbie Groll

Judy Busa

She is the height of glamour, the epitome of popularity, running out on the field to congratulate a winning team. She is the cheerleader. She is in hair rollers, on her knees making posters—the only person in the school Sunday night. She, too, is the cheerleader.

She laughs a lot, but she cries too. It hurts when your boys lose a game that they deserve to win. Hurts when other kids don't seem to care about anything. She is a secret agent for spirit, working under cover as well as in the spotlight. She is devotion and school spirit, and encouragement and maybe even a nice kid. She is the .....

'68-'69

Varsity

Cheerleader

Colleen Langley

Lynette Spedale

Vicky Christian

Cheerleaders lead the Student Body in the school song in the first pep rally ever held in the gym to prepare for the first district basketball game of the season.

Lynette portrays "The Frito Bandito" in one of the many skits put on before a game.

On Becoming Men

Sports mold the character and courage of men. As one may see athletics requires a certain strength, both physically and mentally. Although the record shows we were out classed, competition was as vital to our education as were the books in the classroom.

Nothing can succeed like failure, and when you're outclassed and losing, the tough test of manhood is presented. One can shun and let down or rise to the occasion and give his best. But whatever the choice, the rewards are for the one who takes up the challenge. One of the things that really helped us take up our challenge during this past year was Coach Hudson's famous saying, "When the going gets tough, the tough get going." In the game of football it's either shape up or ship out, just as it is in the game of life.

Competition instigates manhood, for it provides the individual with a fine penetrating mind, to reach out for the truth and be able to use it to make judgements.

Back Row: Trainer: Charles Kmiecik, James Hobizal, Mike O'Donnell, Ed Herrera, David Bancroft, Marion Danna, Ken Hermis, Kevin Reddy, Tom Suter, Richard Suter, John Everett.
Middle Row: Mike Reddy, Mike Cheney, Paul Nevlud, Dennis Bielamowicz, Donnie Kutac, Mike Maddox, Richard Zajac, Andy Wooten, James Hetherington, Mark Bollom, Eugene Pagiuso, Father Larry.
Front Row: Coach Hudson, Joe de los Santos, Don Tallent, Mark Nevlud, Clarence Lawrence, Archie Hayes, Dennis Ivy, Randy Reichle, Haskell Ivy.

Front Four–John Everett, James Hobizal, Dennis Bielamowicz, Ken Hennis
Linebackers–Andy Wooten, Paul Nevlud, Mike Cheney, Tom Suter
Secondary–Richard Suter, David Bancroft, Randy Reichle–Panther Defense

"Chosen to lead the team were Defensive captain Mike Cheney and Offensive captain Marion Danna

Marion Danna and Mike Cheney receive honorable mention while Randy Riechle (center) walks away with All-District.

Randy Riechle, Mike O'Donnell, Paul Nevlud, Ken Hermis, Ed Herrera, Andy Wooten, Archie Hays.
Backfield–Don Kutac, Marion Danna, Joseph De los Santos.
Not pictured Mike Maddox–Panther Offense.

Pius Loses Twelve Senior Lettermen

As Seniors leaving St. Pius, we regret not having left a better season record behind. But we have learned many things that will help in our lives. The games we played were hard fought just as life will be.

After four years of sweat and blood we leave St. Pius as different people. We realize more what it is to sacrifice and to give of yourself and not always receive something in return.

Four years of hard fought football we leave. We want to thank the Coaches for their guidance. Thanks also to the faculty and student body and all our loyal supporters who stood by us.

To the next Panther team, "Give 'em Hell" next year.

Ed Herrera
Mike Cheyney
Mike Reddy
Mike Downard
Paul Neubed
Richard Suter
Larry Gonia
Randy Kouba
Adrian Nieto
James Hobizal
Kevin Reddy
Archie Hayes

Tight End:
Archie Hayes // yrs.

Inside Linebacker:
Mike Cheyney /// yrs.

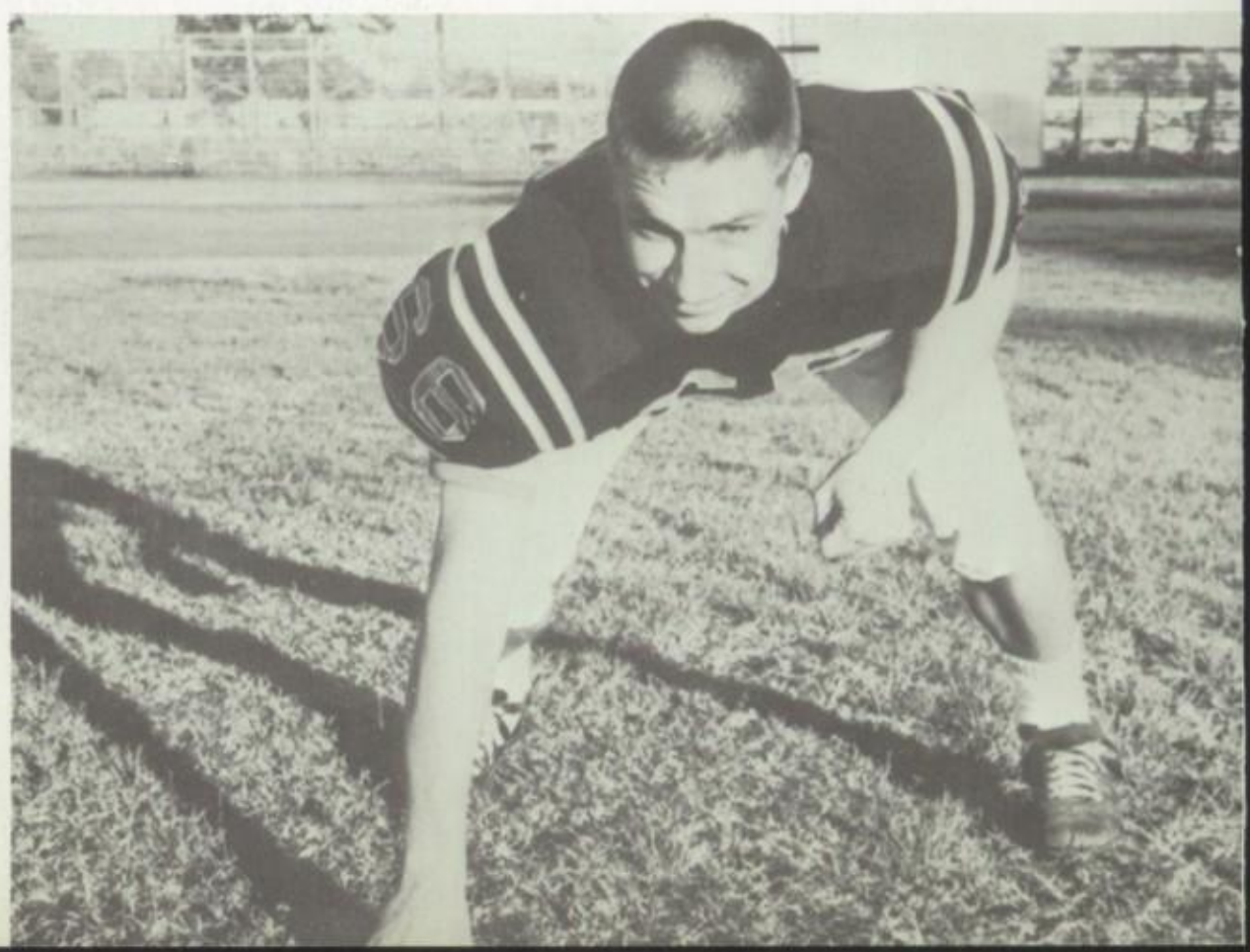
Defensive Guard:
James Hobizal /// yrs.

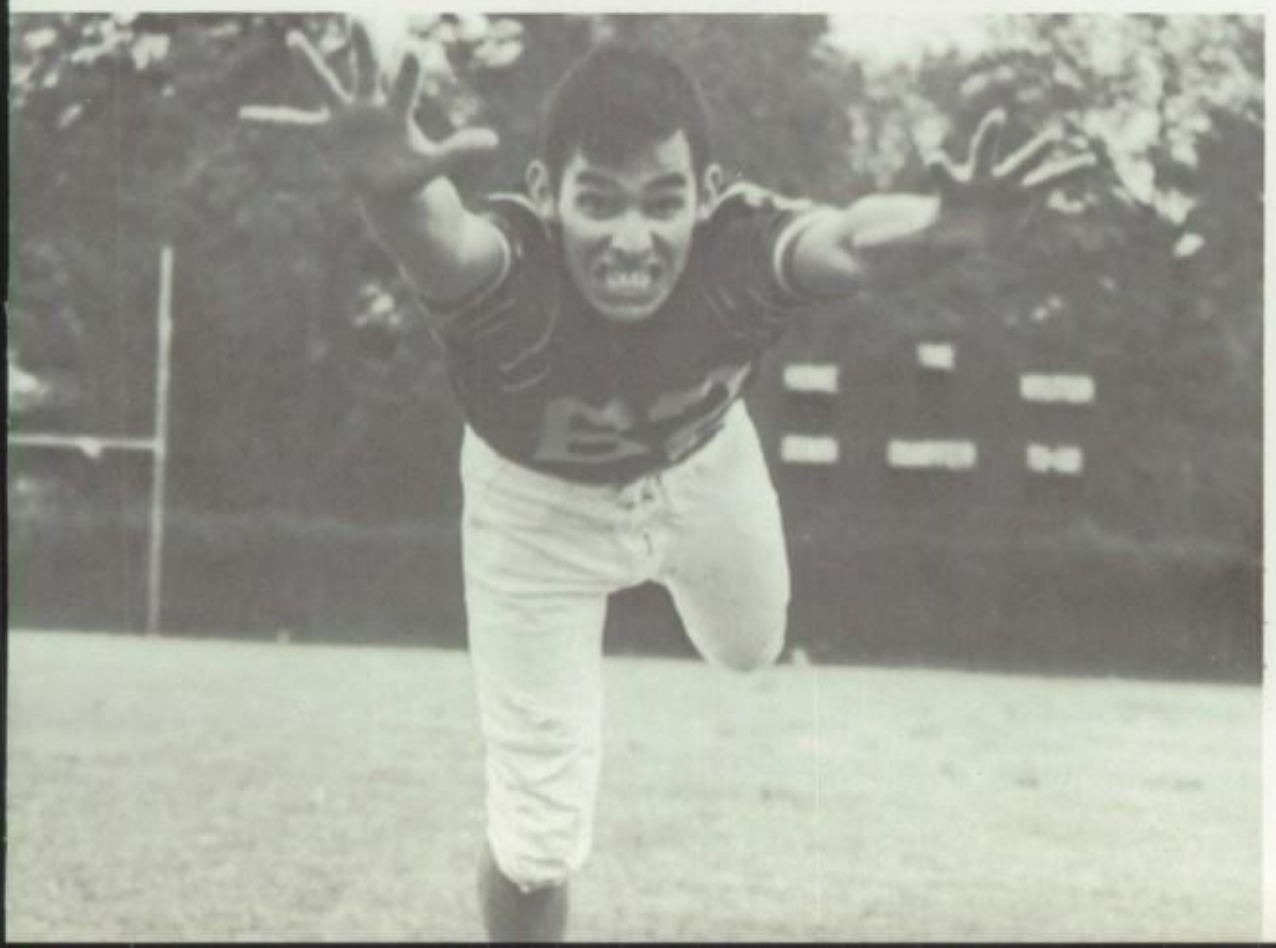
Punter:
Adrian Nieto // yrs.

Defense Tackle:
Kevin Reddy /// yrs.

Outside Linebacker:
Larry Goins /// yrs.

Offensive Guard:
Paul Nevlud // yrs.





Cornerback:
Richard Suter /// yrs.

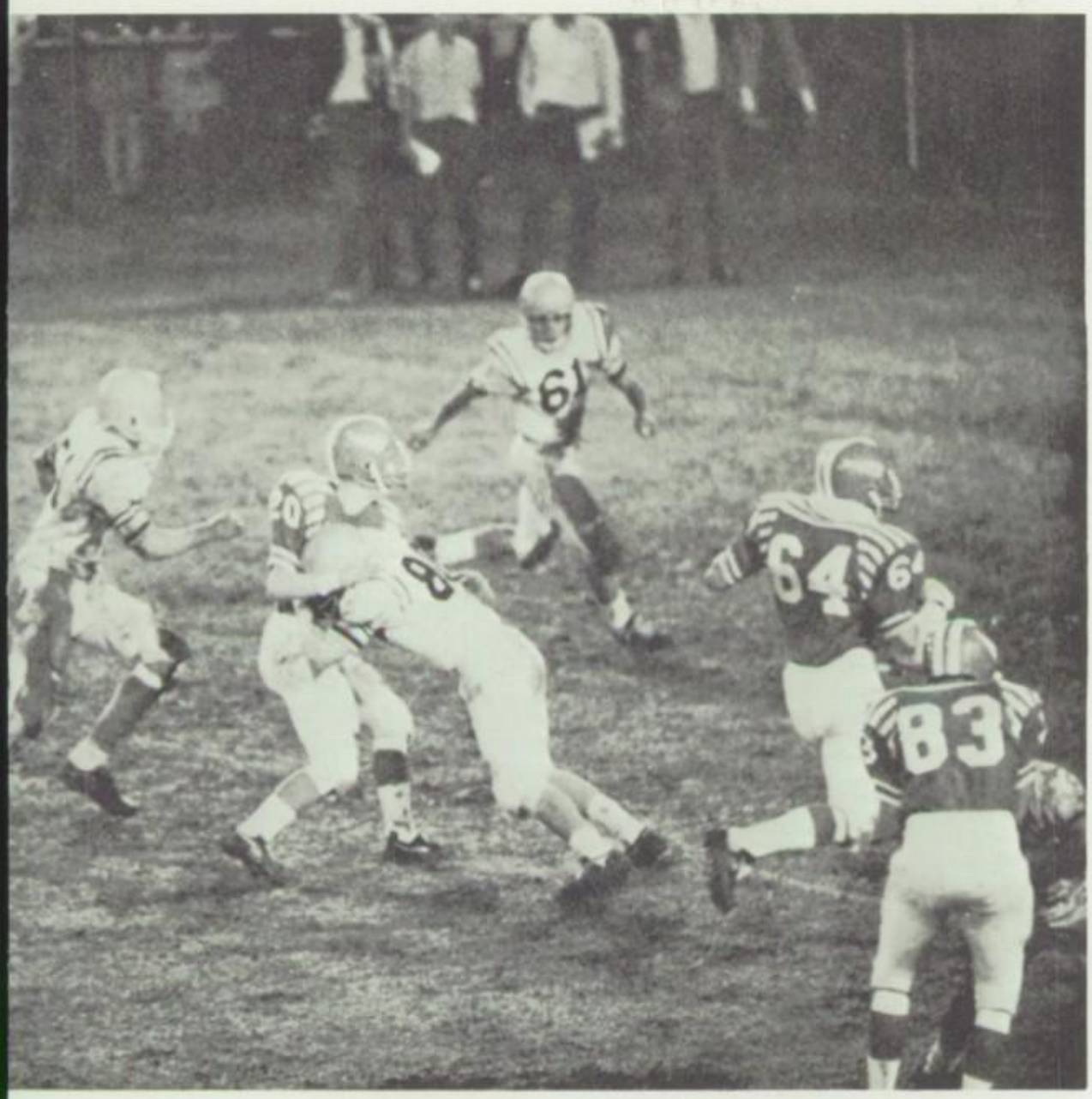
Offensive Tackle:
Mike O'Donnell /// yrs.

Offensive Guard:
Ed Herrera // yrs.

Fullback:
Mike Reddy /// yrs.

Split End:
Randy Kouba /// yrs.

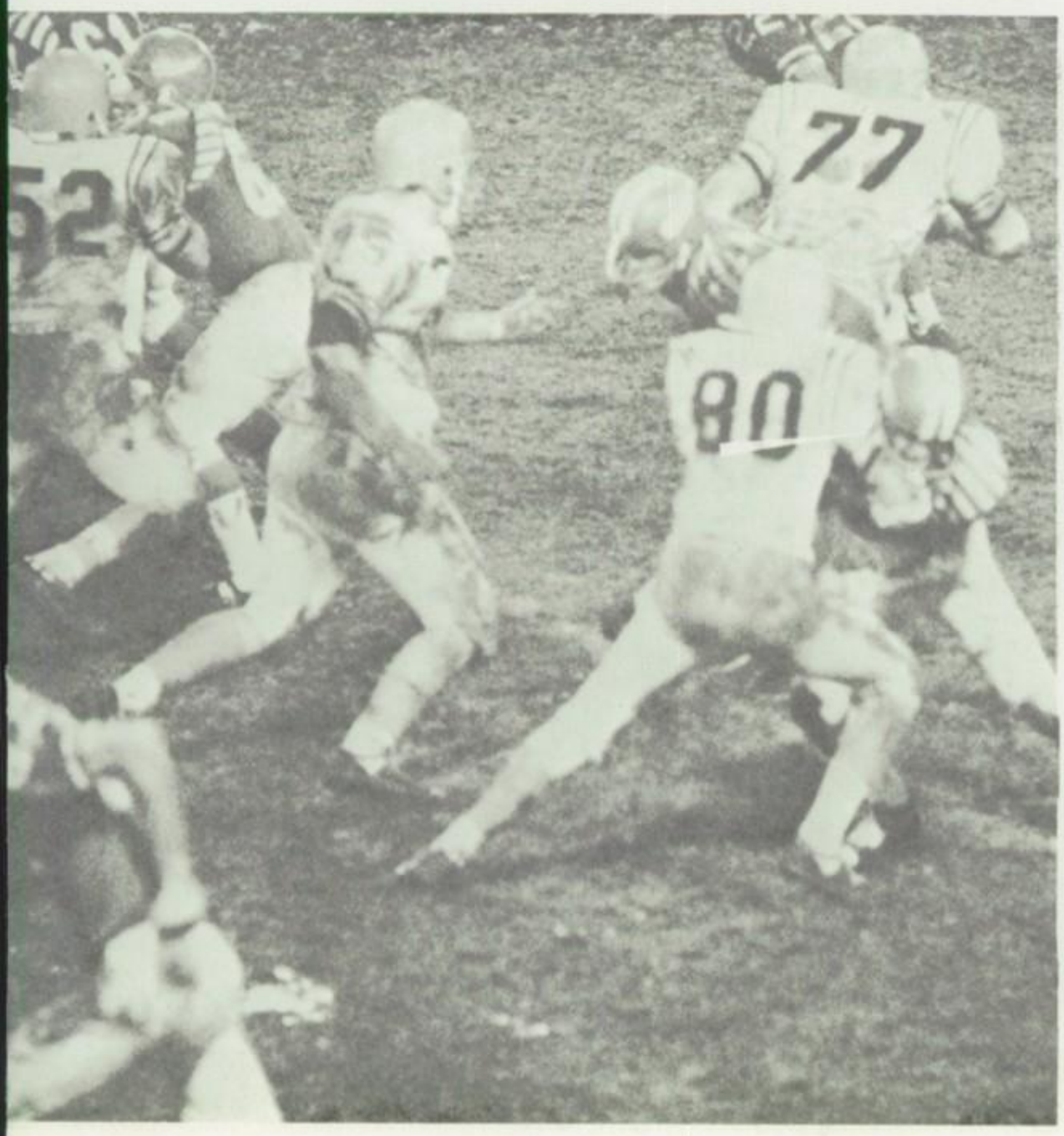
Determination is shown in the faces of the Panthers.



Tom Suter lays block on Eagle during the hard fought battle

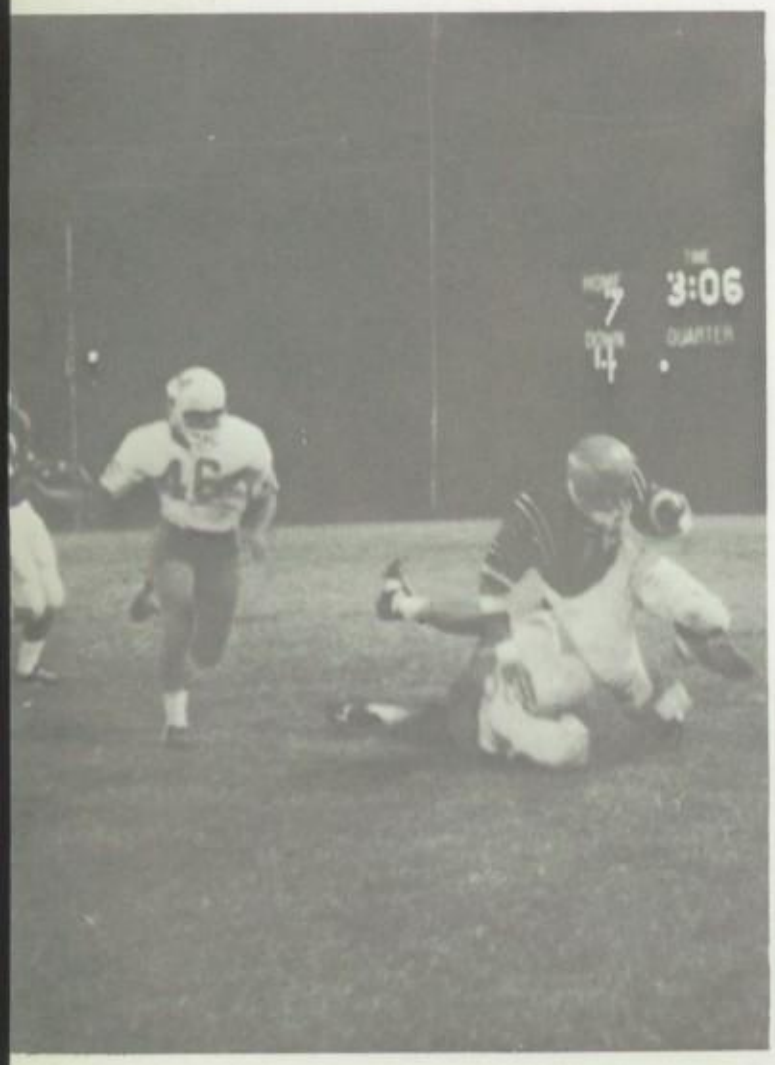
James Hobizal, Mike Cheney and Tom Suter smash up the Eagle Offensive line for a loss of yardage

Danna goes for large gain around the Paris left end

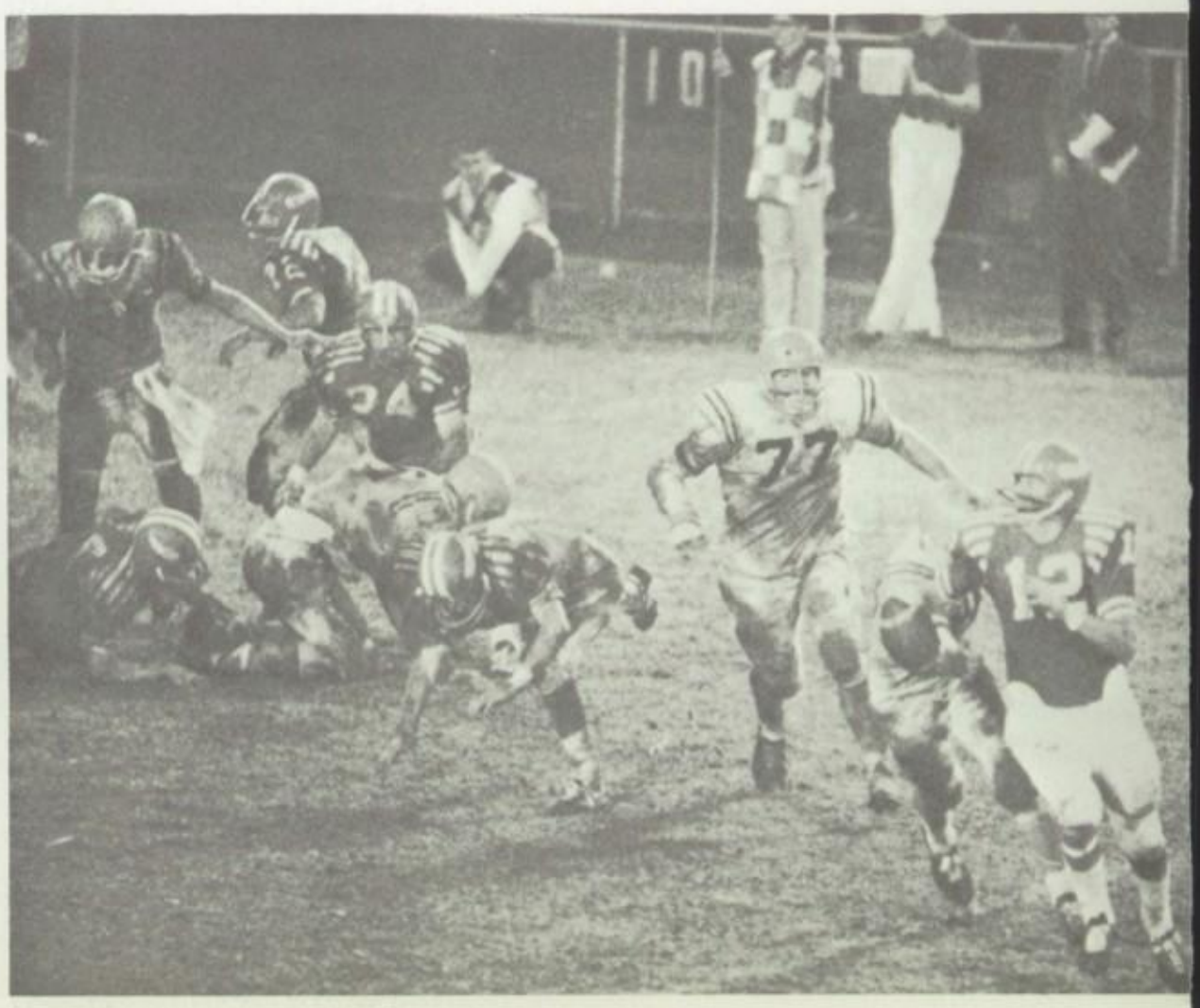


Hackey Ivy "sticks" Paris halfback as Mike Cheney No. 52 confers with referee.

Donnie Kutac picks up precious first down yardage against Kinkaid.

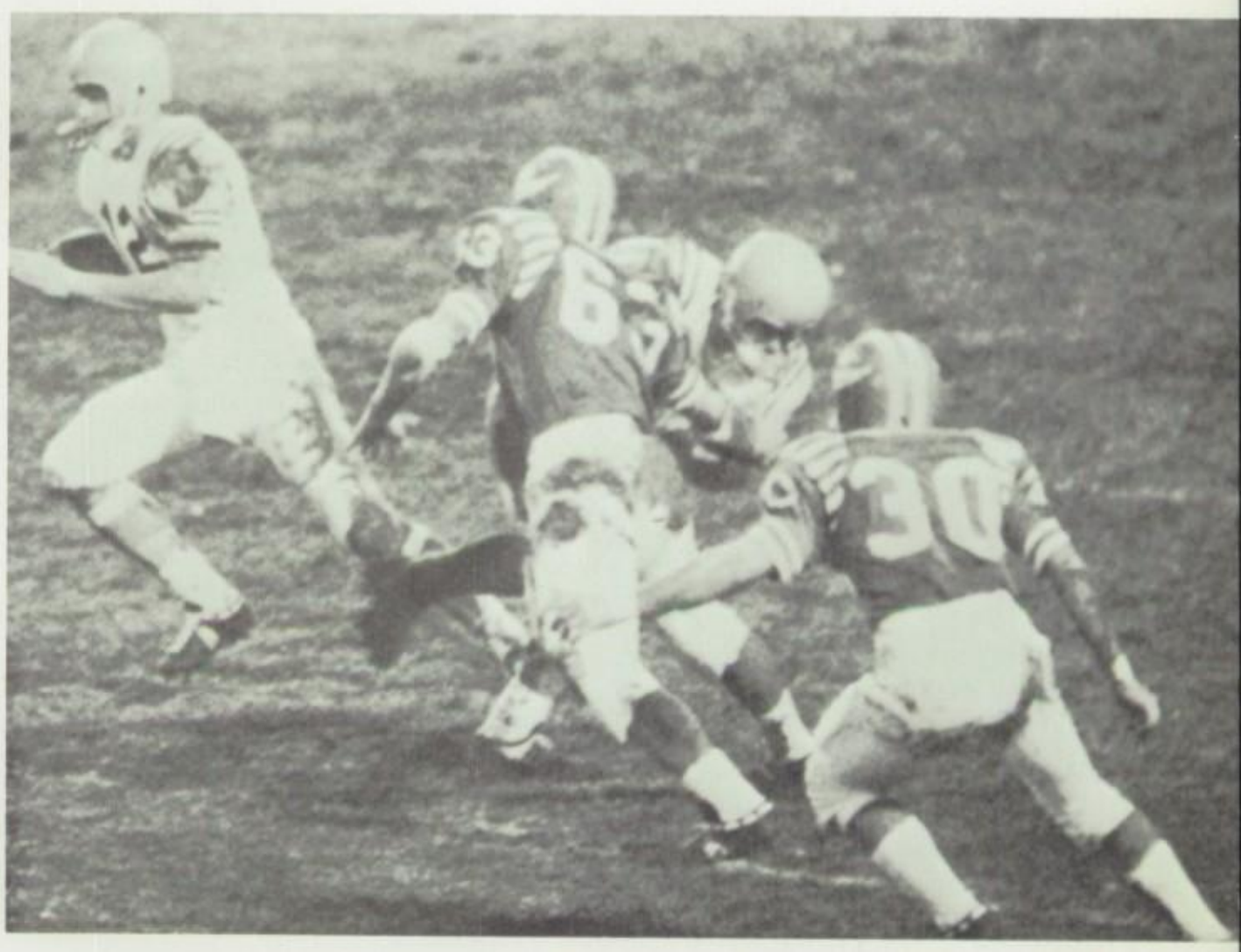


James Hobizal and Larry Goins put the pressure on St. Thomas quarterback.



drian Neito pulls Panthers out of tight spot.

Marion Danna breaks through strong St. Thomas line, as a key block is thrown by an unknown Panther.



Agony of defeat shows in the faces of our coaches.

Homecoming '68-'69

Miss Debbie Groll was the choice of the varsity football team as Homecoming Queen of the '68 season. In freezing weather with pouring rain Debbie was crowned by Richard Suter, Student Body President, at half time activities against the Jesuit Crusaders on November 8. She was also presented a bouquet of red roses from Cominghome Queen Theresa Hamala, Class of '67.

This was the climax of a week full of activities. It started out Monday singing the school song, and decorating the homeroom bulletin boards. Then, on Tuesday it was Pink Panther and Black Cat Day. The following day door decorations were judged. When you saw the Panther heads on the students lockers it was Thursday. At the spirited pep rally Friday afternoon Coach Bob Hudson gave a speech which will long be remembered not only by the team members but that twelfth member—— the STUDENT BODY.

The other Homecoming Queen candidates were Vicky Christian, Brenda Johnston, and Mary Klovenski.

Debbie sheds a few tears of excitement after being crowned Homecoming Queen.

First prize bulletin board decorated by Junior Homeroom 116.

Coming Home Queen Theresa Hamala is escorted off the field at the end of half time activities.

Congratulations are in order for Debbie Groll, the new queen.

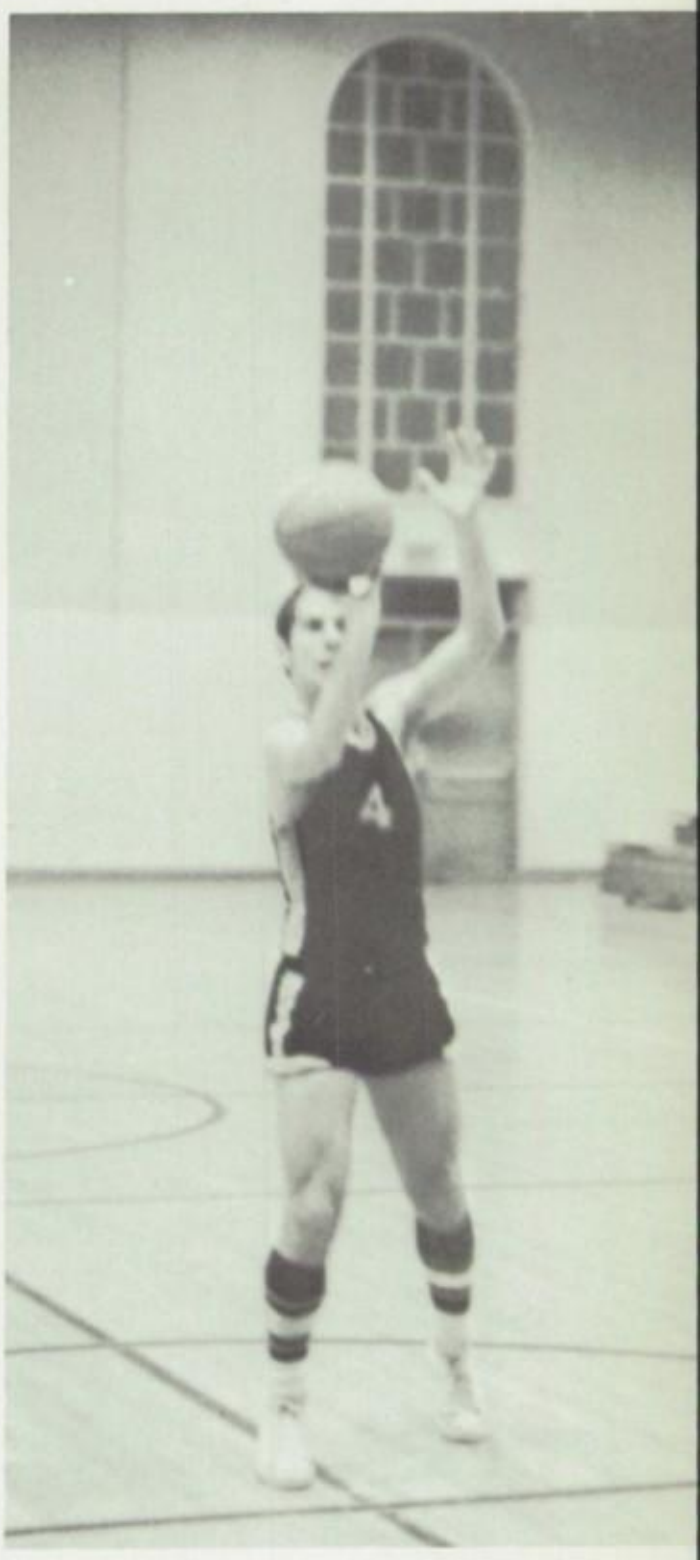
Composing the Varsity were: Charles Kmieck, Manager, Marion Danna, Nelson Redeaux, Coach Mendez, Ken Hermis, Mario Rosales, Randy Reichle, Mike Maddox, Tom Grady.

Marion Danna scores for the Panthers.

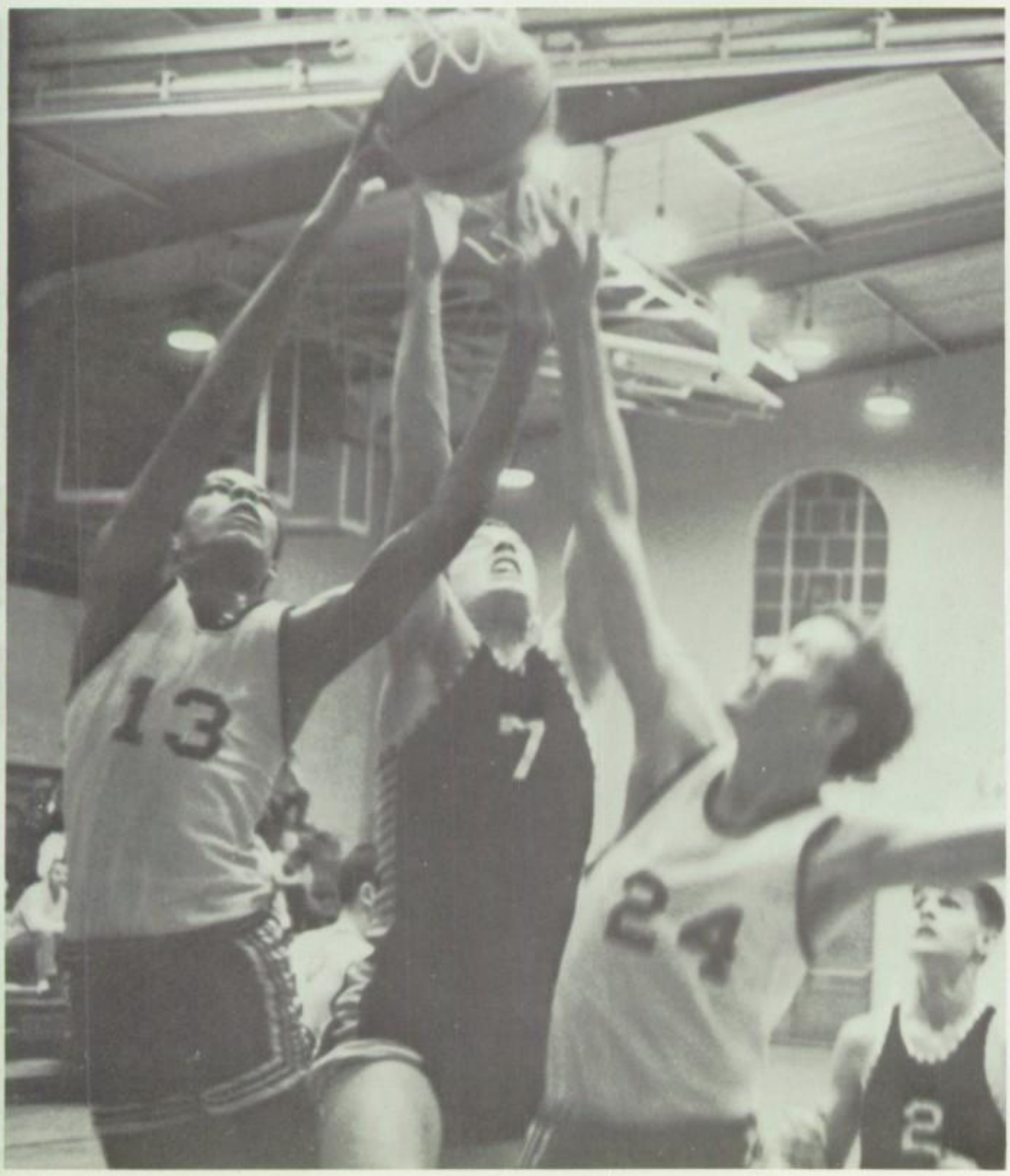
Ken Hermis twists into position to block a driving lay up by St. Thomas player.

Mike Maddox gets ready for rebound action.

Composing the Junior Varsity were: D. Tallent, C. Lawrence, J. Everett, L. Cantu, T. Suter, N. Redeaux, T. Langley, D. Bielamowicz, D. Ivy, J. Hetherington, B. Hughes, E. Pagliuso, R. Zajac, G. Motel, A. Wooten.



Andy Wooten takes advantage of his free shots.



Tom Suter and Gary Motel show determination in their game.

Panther Tracks

Top Right: Richard Ramirez runs the mile at the district meet for Pius.

Bottom Left: Mike Cheyney throws disc for second place in the district meet and for third in state competition.

Bottom Right: Richard Suter places third in the state meet for the high jump.

Left To Right: N. Carrizales, E. Christian, D. Bancraft, M. Wurrante, P. Marek, G. Motal, P. O'Donnell, K. Colqeutl, C. Tallent, R. Ramerez, J. Hobezal, D. Hebert, D. Ivy, D. Tallent, M. Cheney, R. Suter, M. O'Donnell.

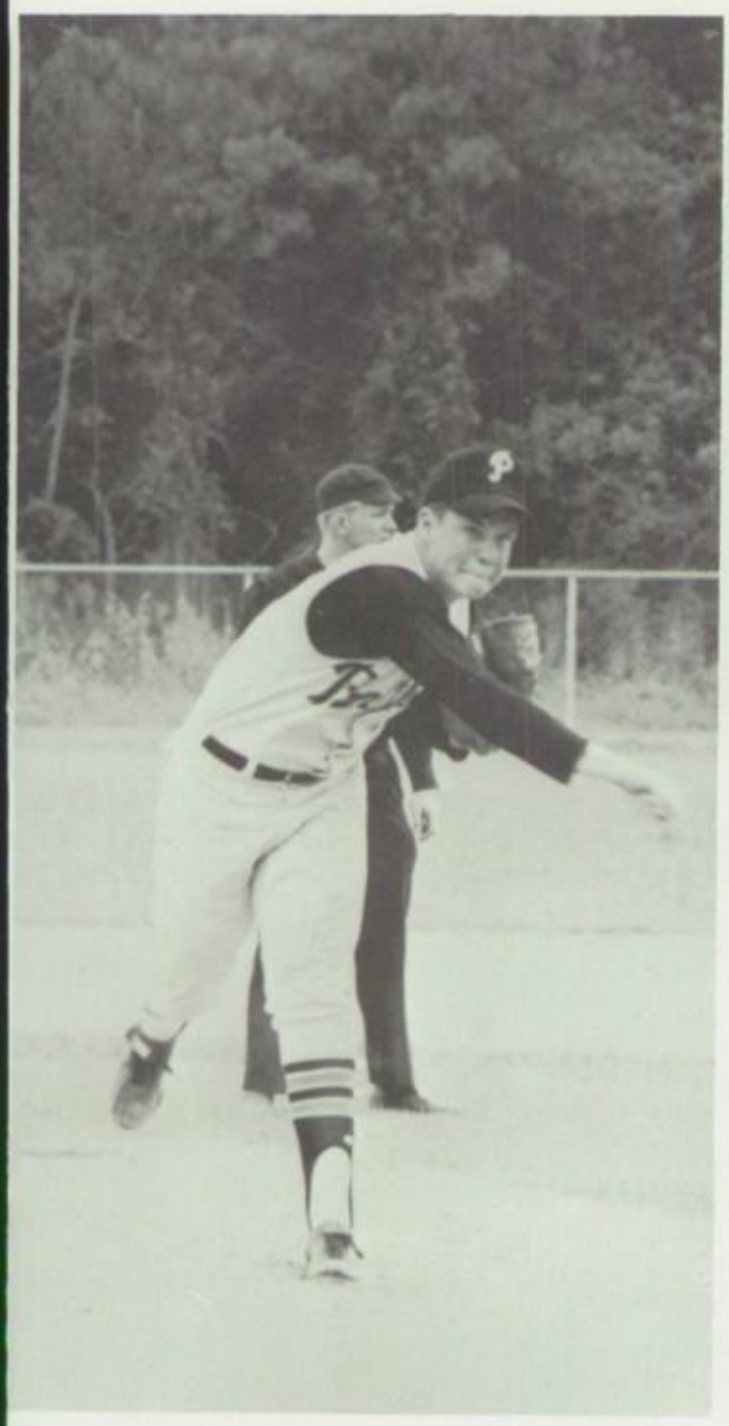
James Hobizal places sixth in the shot and fourth in discus at district.

David Bancroft strains out a fifth place in the 100 yd. dash.

District Champs '69

Team celebrates after winning district.

Pius scores again in the vital District game against Mt. Carmel Rebels.



Archie Hayes delivers as Randy Reichle watches with open mouth.

All Stater Gary Mendel receives pointers from coach before his district win.

Tense moments are spent in the dugout while Panthers bat.

Paul Nevlud goes into action for a single.

Lynn Cantu safe at third.

Marion Danna gets a hit for the Panthers.

Mario Rosales connects for one while Gary Mendel is on deck.

Mario Rosales warms up to bat for Pius.

Donny Kutac puts one down the middle for two bases.

Tom Suter awaiting throw from Archie Hayes.

Junior Varsity Baseball

Andy Wooten takes a big swing.

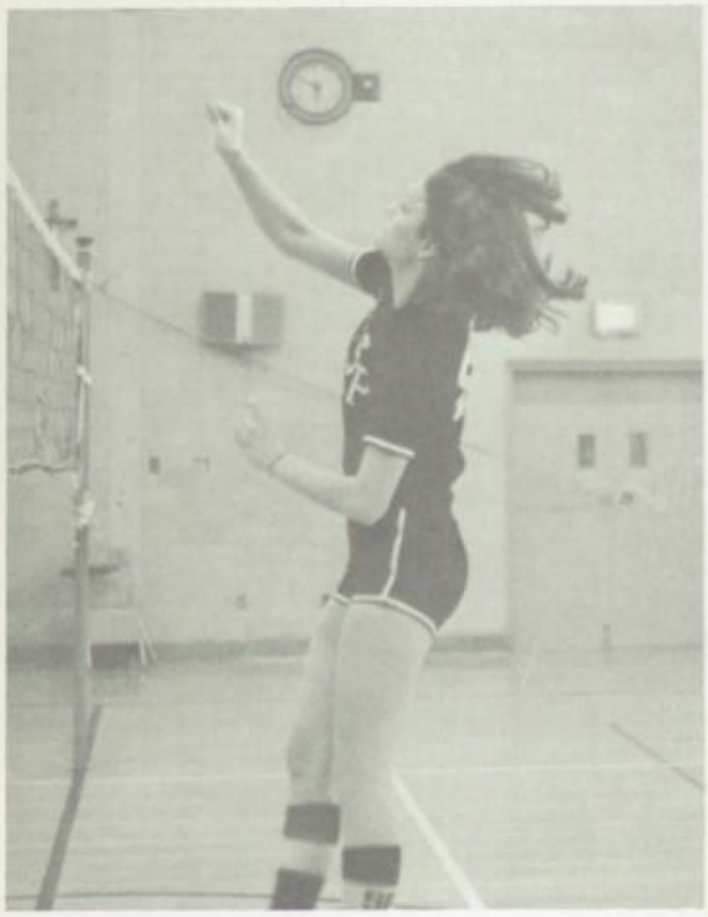
Tom Suter gets a good piece of the ball.

Gary Mendel, Mike Cheyney, Tom Grady received awards at the banquet.

Coat and tie do not prevent Ken Hermis from enjoying his bar-b-que chicken.

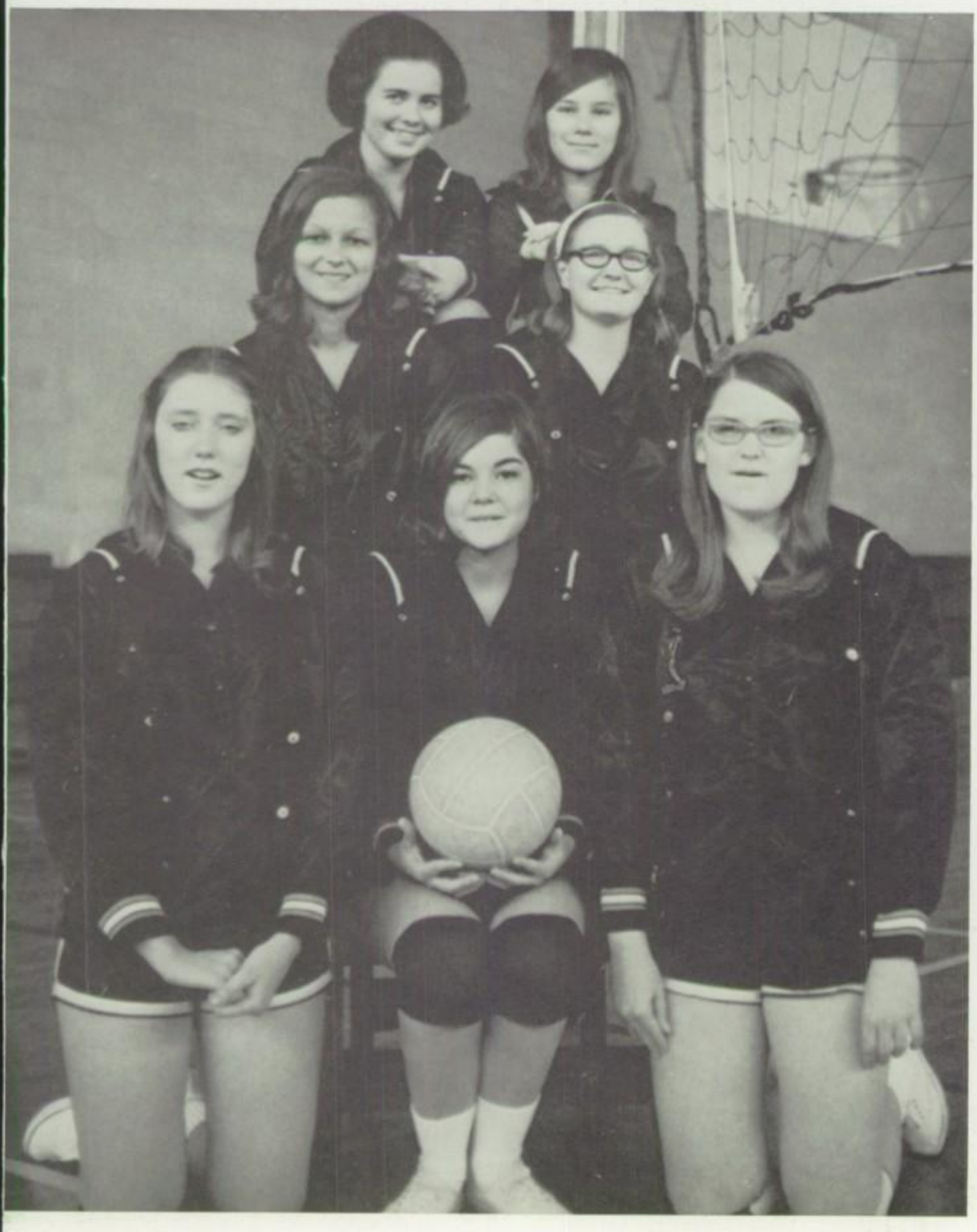
Mr. Marvin Reichle, the voice of Pantherland awards Walter Dorsey with good sportsmanship award.

The '69 Varsity team consist of: Top Row: Mary Kay Hetherington, Theresa Mendel, Mary Ann Grucholski. Second Row: Regina Sivcoski, Diana Quinn, Coach, Mrs. Higgins, Sharon Korenek, Shirley Krezenski. Bottom Row: Cathy Lewandowski, Bernie Garay, Mary Casserly, Susie Kapinski.



Top: Theresa Mendel "socks it to" Duchene.

Right: Our team displays their trophy after winning the C.G.L. Tournament.



Our Lady Panthers "get ready" for their next game.

"B" Team members are: Patsy Salvato, Diane Pushinski, Liz Holik, Susan Sivcoski, Diane Polka, Debbie Landry, Joyce Machac.

Nice Going!

What can you say—
To a team that tried their level best—
Against so many odds,
And just missed their goal

What can you tell
To a bunch of real nice kids
Who've gone out and worked their hearts out,
Only to fall the tiniest bit short

What can you show
To a team who rated a flashy second place,
When what they really wanted
Was that first-place trophy.

What can you say
To a group of girls
Who've worn their colors with Panther pride
Through so many victories and so few defeats

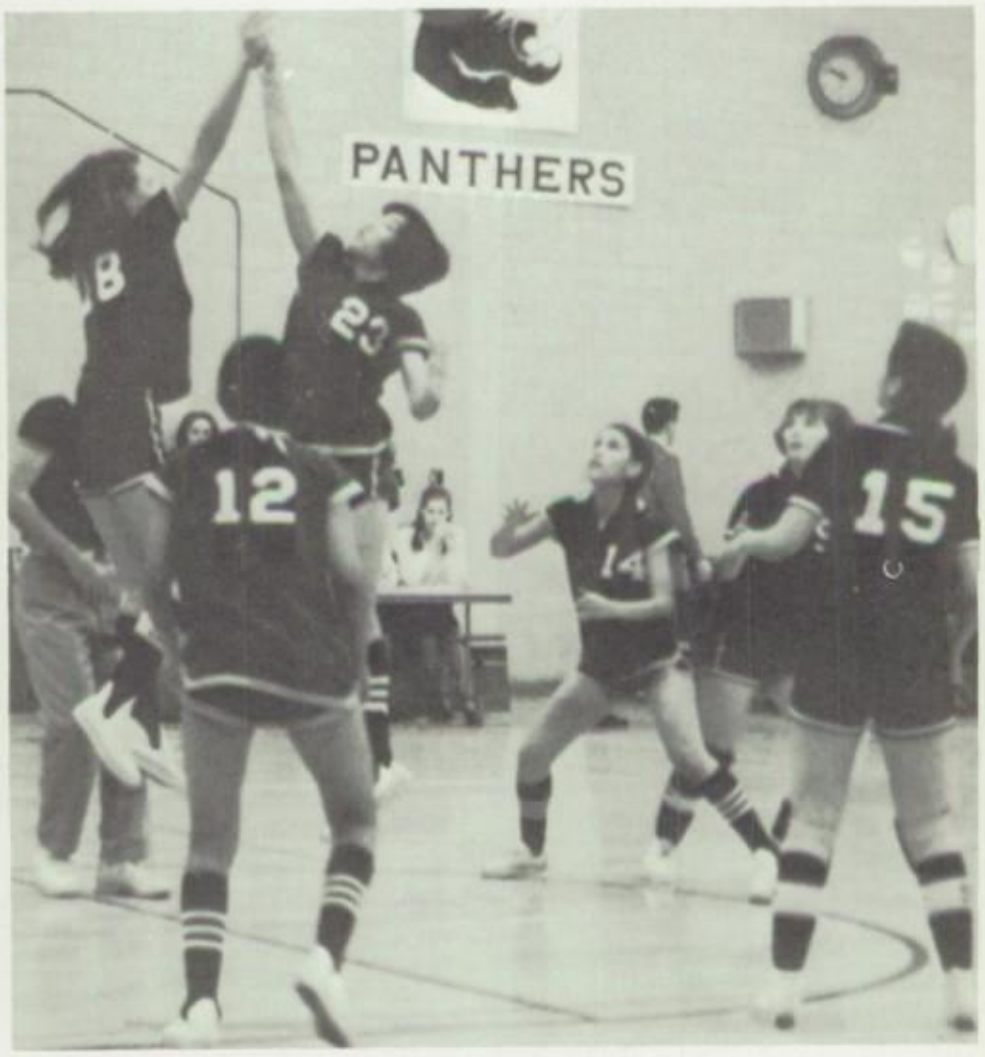
You say:
Well done, girls—
We're proud of you!

Sharon goes up for two points against the Rebels.

My girdle is killing me.

Sharon and Mary Kay display their trophies they received for all-tournament and all-league.

Mary Kay jumps high for the jump-ball as teammates look on hopefully.



Joyce Machac, Judy Spring, Susan Sivcoski, Maria Hutchings, Joan Muzyka, Liz Holik, Shirley Krezinski.

Freshman

Panthers '69

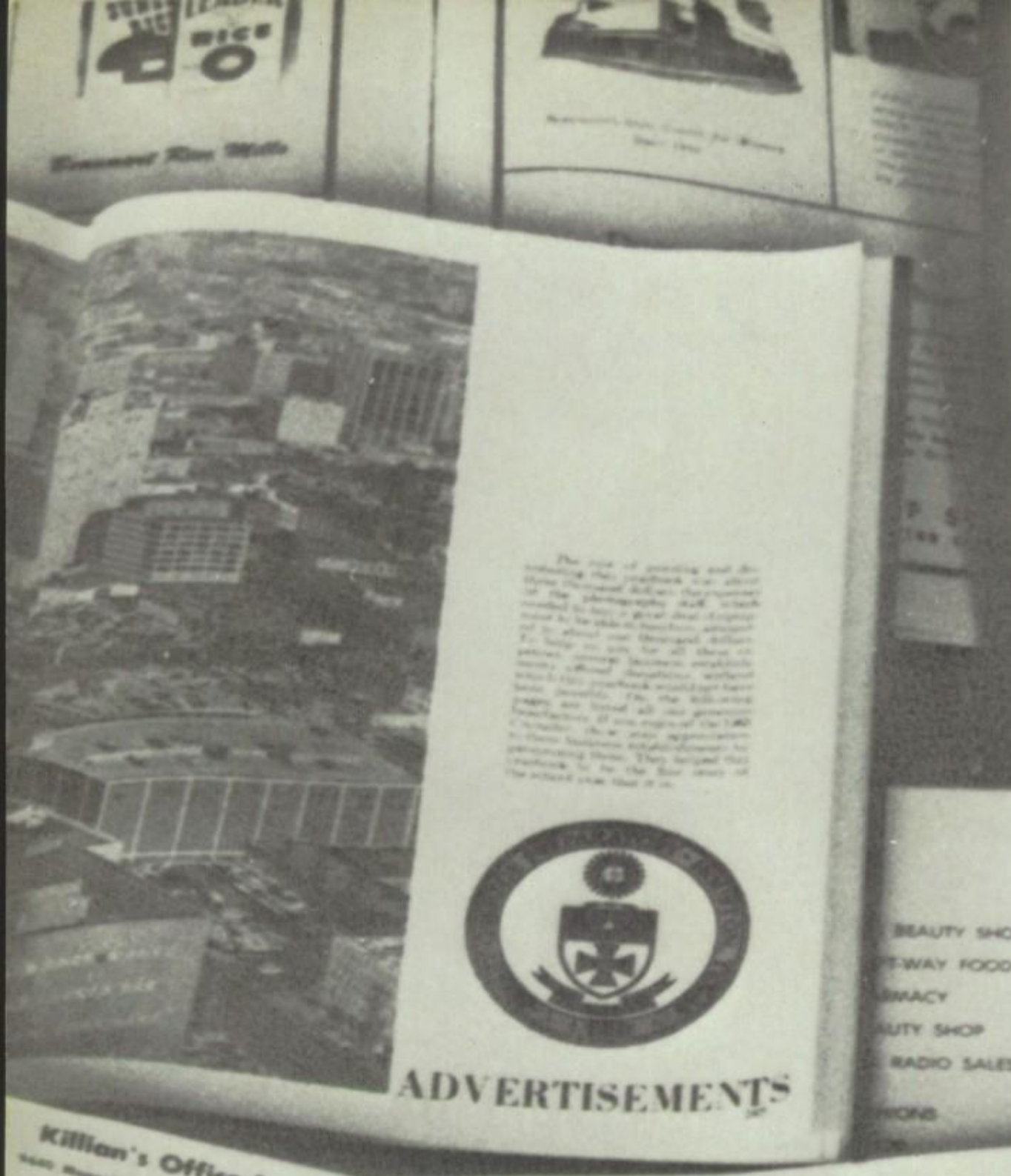
James Malek, John Suter, Matthew Duran, Pat O'Donnell, Mike Frank, Ken Coquyt, Tony Waguspack, Charles Tallent, Eddie Christian, Ralph Colotta, Greg Appolito, Mike Reed, Louis Werner, Luke Pomilla, Milton Goodie, Nick Carrizales, Norbert Maduzia, Craig Kay, Robin Kirk, William Glover, Dennis Wise, Tony Palermo, Elliott St. Julian, David Wild, Jake Klovenski, Ervin Williams, Vincent Kapczynski.

Freshmen charge off the line as Robin Kirk snaps the ball.

Mike Reed prepares to take a handoff for a drive up the middle.

Louis Snider, J. Suter, A. Zarosky, L. Domain, K. Colquitt, C. Tallent, V.Kapczynski, D.Wise, L. Werner, L. Pomilla, C. Ladett, Mike Lasala, C. Bachmeyer, R. Kirk.

Clyde Bachmeyer passes off to Robin Kirk.



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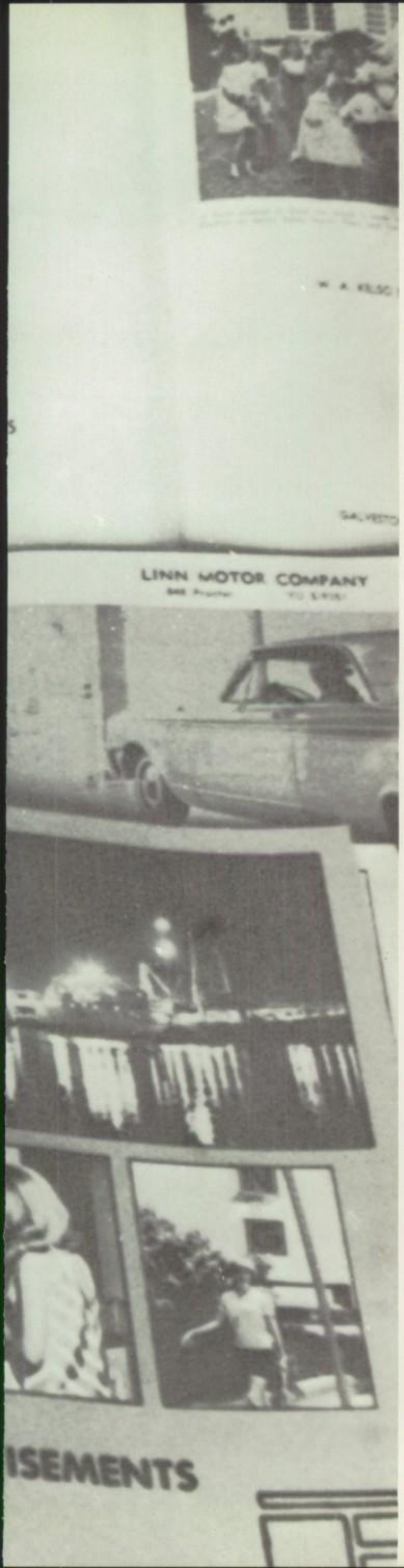

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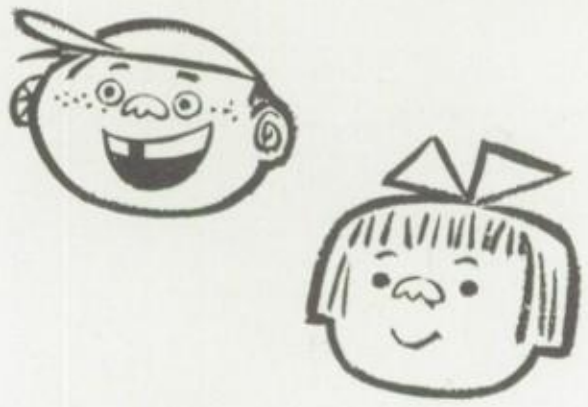

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